

## CH # 2

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### Numerical Sequences

Series

Intuitive (of ideas) obtained by feelings rather than by considering facts.

Eventually # adv at the end of a period of time or a series of events or beyond some point of time.

Primitive # belonging to an early stages in the development.

### $\epsilon$ -Neighbourhood

In any metric space  $(X, d)$  and  $x_0 \in X$ , open ball  $B(x_0; \epsilon)$  is called an  $\epsilon$ -neighbourhood (or sometimes neighbourhood).

If  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ , then the open interval  $(x_0 - \epsilon, x_0 + \epsilon)$  is called an  $\epsilon$ -neighbourhood of  $x_0$ . We denote neighbourhood by  $N(x_0; \epsilon)$  or  $N_\epsilon(x_0)$ .

### Deleted Neighbourhood

The set  $(x_0 - \epsilon, x_0) \cup (x_0, x_0 + \epsilon)$  is called a deleted neighbourhood of  $x_0$  because  $x_0$

deleted from  $N_{\infty}(x_0)$ . It is denoted by  $N_{\infty}(x_0)$

## Sequence #

A sequence in a set  $S$  is a function whose domain is the set  $N$  of natural numbers and range is a subset of the set  $S$ .

## Real Sequence #

A sequence of real numbers (or a sequence in  $R$ ) is a function whose domain is the set  $N$  of natural numbers and range is a subset of the set  $R$  of real numbers.

## Notations

(1) # If  $x: N \rightarrow R$  is a sequence, we usually denote the value of  $x$  at  $n$  by symbol  $x_n$  instead of the function notation  $x(n)$ .  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n, \dots$  are called terms of sequence

(2). The sequence  $x: N \rightarrow R$  is denoted by  $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  or  $\{x_n\}$  or  $\langle x_n \rangle$  or  $(x_n: n \in N)$  or  $(x_n)$ .

(3). Notation  $\langle x_n \rangle$  or  $(x_n: n \in N)$  or  $\{(n, f(n)): n \in N\}$  is used to that terms

The sequence  
induced by the

# The set  
called the range  
 $x_n: n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  
is ordered.

# Since in a  
is an infinite  
terms of a sequence  
range of sequence  
if  $x_n = (-1)^n$

The range of  
sequences  
a formula for

7) # Sometimes  
terms of a sequence  
the rule of

3) # The  $m$ th  
for  $m \neq n$  and  
the terms  
ie the terms  
are treated  
they have

an ordering  
of natural numbers  
distinct terms  
and is denoted  
values in the range

sequence  $\{x_n\}, n \in \mathbb{N}$   
Therefore the range  
is always infinite  
may be a finite set

on  $\{x_n\} = \{-1, 1\}$   
range  $= \{-1, 1\}$  which

is often defined  
nth term  $x_n$   
is convenient to

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## 4 Constant Sequence #

A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  defined by  $x_n = c \in \mathbb{R}$   
 $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  is called a constant sequence.

OR  
A sequence whose range is a singleton  
is called a constant sequence.

## Mathematical Formula Notation

### For Sequence #

Many sequences may be defined by some  
mathematical rule by two ways.

(a) By an explicit formula (b) by a recursion  
or inductive or iterative formula.

### (a) Explicit Formula #

A sequence may be defined by giving an  
explicit formula for the  $n$ th term. e.g.

$$(2) \quad a_n = \frac{n}{n+1}$$

$$(1) \quad a_n = \frac{1}{n}.$$

$$(3) \quad a_n = (-1)^n \frac{n}{n+1} \quad a_n = 3$$

### (b) Recursive Formula #

Sometimes sequences are defined by specifying  
one or more initial terms and  
(clearly giving) a formula that relates each subsequent  
term to the previous terms. Such  
(next coming)

Sequences are said to be defined recursively or inductively or iteratively and the defining formula is called a recursion formula or inductive formula.

A sequence defined by a formula for the  $n$ th term in terms of one or several previous terms with some initial terms specified clearly.

### Examples #

1) #

$$a_{n+2} = a_{n+1} + a_n$$

$$a_1 = 1, a_2 = 1$$

$$1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, \dots$$

2) #

$$a_n = \frac{a_{n+1}}{2}$$

$$n \geq 1, a_0 = 1$$

3) #

$$a_n = n \cdot a_{n-1}$$

$$a_1 = 1$$

4) #

Fibonacci Sequence.

$$a_{n+1} = a_n + a_{n-1} \quad a_1 = 1, a_2 = 1$$

$$1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, \dots$$

Thus each term after the 1st two terms is the sum of its two immediate previous terms.

5) The sequence  $\{a_n\}$  of even numbers can be defined by

$$a_1 = 2, \quad a_{n+1} = a_n + 2.$$

OR by

$$y_1 = 2, \quad y_{n+1} = y_1 + y_n.$$

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Note not every sequence has a simple formula or even any formula at all. e.g.  $\{d_n\}$ , where  $d_n$  is  $n$ th digit in  $1$  to decimal representation of  $\pi$

### Bounded Above Sequence

A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is said to be bounded above if  $\exists$  a real no  $K$  such that

$$x_n \leq K \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

i.e if the range of the sequence is bounded above.

### Bounded Below Sequence

A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is said to be bounded below if  $\exists$  a real no  $k$  such that

$$x_n \geq k \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

i.e if the range of the sequence is bounded below.

### Bounded Sequence #

A sequence is said to be bounded if it is bounded above as well as below:

Thus a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is bounded if  $\exists$  two numbers  $k \neq K$  ( $k \leq K$ ) such that

i.e if the range set  $\{x_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is bounded.  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

A sequence that is not bounded is said to be unbounded sequence.

### Unbounded Above #

A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is said to be unbounded above if it is not bounded above i.e. if for every real no  $K \exists m \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t. that

$$a_m > K$$

### Unbounded Below #

A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is said to be unbounded below if it is not bounded below i.e. if for every real no  $k \exists m \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t

$$a_m < k$$

### Examples

(1) # The sequence  $\{a_n\}$  defined by  $a_n = \frac{1}{n}$  is bounded because  $0 < a_n \leq 1$ .

(2) # The sequence  $\{a_n\}$  defined by  $a_n = n$  is bounded below by 1 because  $a_n \geq 1 \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ . It is not bounded above because  $\exists$  no real no  $K$  such that  $a_n \leq K \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

(3) #

The

sequence  $\{(-1)^n\}$  is bounded because  $-1 \leq a_n \leq 1 \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

(4) #

The

sequence  $\{-n\}$  is bounded ~~below~~ <sup>above</sup> because  $a_n \leq -1 \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  & is not bounded below

(5) #

Every constant sequence is bounded.

(6) #

The sequence  $\{a_n\}$  defined by  $a_n = (-1)^n \cdot n$  is neither bounded above nor bounded below.

Theorem # A sequence  $\{a_n\}$  is bounded iff  $\exists$  a true real no  $M$  such that

$$|a_n| \leq M \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

Proof #

Necessary Condition

Let  $\{a_n\}$  be bounded. The  $\exists$  two real numbers  $h$  &  $k$  such that

$$h \leq a_n \leq k \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

Let  $M = \max\{|h|, |k|\}$ . Then

$$|h| \leq M \quad \& \quad |k| \leq M$$

$$\Rightarrow -M \leq h \leq M \quad \& \quad -M \leq k \leq M$$

$$\Rightarrow -M \leq h \leq a_n \leq k \leq M \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\Rightarrow -M \leq a_n \leq M$$

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\Rightarrow |a_n| \leq M$$

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

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Sufficient Condition # Such that

Let  $M$  be the real no  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$|a_n| \leq M \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

Then  $-M \leq a_n \leq M$

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  is bounded. is used as definition.

Note The above Theorem of bounded sequence.

$\{a_n\}$  &  $\{b_n\}$  are bounded.

Theorem # If  $\{a_n\}$  &  $\{b_n\}$  are bounded, then

sequences and  $c$  is a real no, then

(a)  $\{a_n + b_n\}$  is bounded.

(b)  $\{c a_n\}$  is bounded.

(c)  $\{c a_n\}$  is bounded.

Proof #  $\because \{a_n\}$  &  $\{b_n\}$  are bounded.

$\therefore \exists$  +ve numbers  $M_1, M_2$

such that  $|a_n| \leq M_1$  &  $|b_n| \leq M_2 \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

$$|a_n| + |b_n| \leq M_1 + M_2 = M \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$\Rightarrow |a_n + b_n| \leq |a_n| + |b_n| \leq M \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

$\Rightarrow \{a_n + b_n\}$  is bounded.

$$(b) |a_n b_n| = |a_n| |b_n| \leq M_1 M_2 = M_3 \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$\Rightarrow \{a_n b_n\}$  is bounded.

(c) #

$$|c_n|$$

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$$\Rightarrow \{c_n\} \text{ is bounded. } = |c_n| \leq M, \quad \forall n$$

### Eventual Property of a Sequence

If the terms of a sequence do not have a certain property from start but have that property from some point (from some term) on, then the sequence has that property eventually.

If a sequence  $\{a_n\}$  fulfils some property  $P$  eventually, then mathematically we say that  $\exists$  an integer  $n_1 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that if  $n \geq n_1$ ,  $\{a_n\}$  satisfies property  $P$ .

### Limit of a Sequence & Convergence

A sequence  $\{a_n\}$  in  $\mathbb{R}$  is said to converge to  $l \in \mathbb{R}$  or  $l$  is a limit of  $\{a_n\}$  if for every  $\epsilon > 0$   $\exists$  a natural no  $n_1(\epsilon)$  such that

$$|a_n - l| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq n_1$$

If so we write  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = l$  or  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = l$ .

If a sequence has a limit, then sequence is convergent, if it has no limit, the sequence is divergent.

Def.

Note (1) A real no  $l$  is a limit of sequence  $\{a_n\}$  if given  $\epsilon > 0$ , all but a finite no of terms of  $\{a_n\}$  lie within  $\epsilon$  of  $l$ .

$$\forall n \geq n_1$$

$$(2) |a_n - l| < \epsilon$$

$$\forall n \geq n_1$$

$$\Rightarrow l - \epsilon < a_n < l + \epsilon$$

$$\forall n \geq n_1$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n \in (l - \epsilon, l + \epsilon)$$

$\Rightarrow$  given any  $\epsilon > 0$ , all the terms of the

sequence, except the 1st  $n_1 - 1$  terms lie in

the interval  $(l - \epsilon, l + \epsilon)$ . The 1st  $n_1 - 1$

terms may be scattered anywhere. The

number  $n_1 - 1$  of terms left out of the size of  $\epsilon$ .

$(l - \epsilon, l + \epsilon)$  depends upon the larger will be

The smaller the size of  $\epsilon$ , the larger will be

the no of terms left out of  $(l - \epsilon, l + \epsilon)$ .

(2) We say that a sequence  $\{a_n\}$  ~~has~~

ultimately has a certain property if  $\exists$  a no  $n_1$

such that sequence  $\{a_n\}$  satisfies that property

for  $n \geq n_1$ . A sequence  $\{a_n\}$  converges to  $l$  if

the terms of  $\{a_n\}$  are ultimately in every  $\epsilon$ -

neighbourhood of  $l$ .

(3)

With the Language of Nbd.  
A sequence  $\{a_n\}$  converges to

$N_\epsilon(l)$  of  $l$  if for each  $\epsilon$ -nbhd  
of  $\{a_n\}$  belong to  $N_\epsilon(l)$  all but a finite no of terms.

### Examples

(a)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1/n) = 0$

Let  $a_n = \frac{1}{n}$  and  $\epsilon > 0$  be given.

$$|a_n - l| = |1/n - 0| = \frac{1}{n}.$$

and  $|a_n - l| < \epsilon$  if  $\frac{1}{n} < \epsilon$ .

if  $n > \frac{1}{\epsilon}$ .

Thus if we take natural no  $N_1$  greater than real no  $\frac{1}{\epsilon}$ , then we have.

$$|a_n - l| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq n_1$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n \longrightarrow 0$$

Explanation

For each  $\epsilon > 0$ , we

can always trace  $n_1$  by relation  $n > \frac{1}{\epsilon}$   
let us see how.

for  $\epsilon = .1$   
 $\frac{1}{\epsilon} = \frac{1}{.1} = 10$

$\frac{n_1}{11}$  will be  
 our  $n_1$  greater than 10  
 because for  $a_{10} = \frac{1}{10}$

we have  
 $|a_{10} - 0| = |\frac{1}{10} - 0| = .1 < \epsilon$

$$a_{11} = \frac{1}{11}$$

$$|a_{11} - 0| = \frac{1}{11} = .09 < \epsilon = .1$$

Thus for  $\epsilon = .1$   $n_1 = 11$  &

$$|a_n - 0| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq n_1$$

for  $\epsilon = .01$

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon} = \frac{1}{.01} = 100$$

$n_1$  will be 101 or greater  
 and

$$|a_n - 0| < \epsilon = .01 \quad \forall n \geq 101$$

We note that for smaller  $\epsilon$ , the greater  $n_1$

For  $\epsilon = .5$

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon} = \frac{1}{.5} = 2$$

$n_1$  will be 3 or greater  
 and

$$|a_n - 0| < \epsilon = .5 \quad \forall n \geq 3$$

We note that for greater  $\epsilon$ , the smaller  $n_1$

(b)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^2+1} = 0$

let  $a_n = \frac{1}{n^2+1}$   $\epsilon = 0$  let  $\epsilon > 0$  be

given

$$|a_n - 0| = \left| \frac{1}{n^2+1} - 0 \right| = \frac{1}{n^2+1} < \frac{1}{n^2} \leq \frac{1}{n}$$

Thus if  $\frac{1}{n} < \epsilon$  or  $n > \frac{1}{\epsilon}$

we have  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$  for  $n_1$  greater than  $\frac{1}{\epsilon}$   
 $|a_n - l| < \epsilon$   $\forall n \geq n_1$

$$(c) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{3n+2}{n+1} \right) = 3$$

$$\text{Let } a_n = \frac{3n+2}{n+1} \quad l = 3 \quad \epsilon = 0.1$$

$$|a_n - l| = \left| \frac{3n+2}{n+1} - 3 \right| = \left| \frac{3n+2-3n-3}{n+1} \right|$$

$$= \left| \frac{-1}{n+1} \right| = \frac{1}{n+1} < \frac{1}{n}$$

if  $\frac{1}{n} < \epsilon$

So we can take  $n_1$  greater than  $\frac{1}{\epsilon}$  for each  $\epsilon > 0$  such that

$$|a_n - l| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq n_1$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n \rightarrow l = 3$$

$$(d) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n}) = 0$$

$$\sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n} = \frac{(\sqrt{n+1} - \sqrt{n})(\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n})}{\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n}}$$

$$= \frac{n+1 - n}{\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n}}$$

$$|a_n - l| = \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n}} - 0 \right| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n+1} + \sqrt{n}} < \frac{1}{\sqrt{n} + \sqrt{n}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{n}} < \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$$

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i.f.  $\frac{1}{n} < \epsilon$ , then  $n > \frac{1}{\epsilon}$   
 Thus for each  $\epsilon > 0$ , if we take  $n_1$  greater than  $\frac{1}{\epsilon}$ , we have.

$$|a_n - l| < \epsilon \quad \forall n > n_1$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n \rightarrow l = 0$$

$$\lim \left( \frac{n^2 - 1}{2n^2 + 3} \right) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$a_n = \frac{n^2 - 1}{2n^2 + 3}$$

$$l = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{let } \epsilon > 0$$

$$|a_n - l| = \left| \frac{n^2 - 1}{2n^2 + 3} - \frac{1}{2} \right|$$

$$= \left| \frac{2n^2 - 2 - 2n^2 - 3}{2(2n^2 + 3)} \right| = \frac{5}{4n^2 + 6} < \frac{5}{4n^2} < \frac{5}{n^2}$$

$$|a_n - l| < \epsilon$$

$$\text{if } \frac{5}{n^2} < \epsilon$$

$$\text{if } \frac{5}{\epsilon} < n^2$$

$$\text{if } n > \sqrt{\frac{5}{\epsilon}}$$

$\Rightarrow$  If we take  $n_1$  greater than  $\sqrt{\frac{5}{\epsilon}}$ , then

$$|a_n - l| < \epsilon$$

$$\forall n > n_1$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n \rightarrow l = \frac{1}{2}$$

(f) If  $0 < b < 1$ , then  $\lim b^n = 0$   
 for any  $a > 0$ , we can write.

$$b = \frac{1}{1+a} < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{1}{b} - 1 > 0 \quad \therefore b < 1$$

$$a_{n+1} = \frac{1}{b} \quad \underline{\underline{16.}}$$

Now By Bernoulli's Inequality  
 $(1+a)^n \geq 1+na$   
Hence.

$$0 < b^n = \frac{1}{(a+1)^n} \leq \frac{1}{1+na} < \frac{1}{na}.$$

$$|a_n - 0| = |b^n - 0| = b^n < \frac{1}{na}.$$

$$|a_n - 0| < \epsilon$$

$$\text{if } \frac{1}{na} < \epsilon$$

$$\text{if } \frac{1}{n} < a\epsilon.$$

$$\text{if } n > \frac{1}{a\epsilon}.$$

$\Rightarrow$  we can take  $n_1 > \frac{1}{a\epsilon}$  for each  $\epsilon > 0$   
Such that

$$|a_n - 0| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq n_1$$

OR

$$|a_n - 0| = b^n$$

$$|a_n - 0| < \epsilon$$

$$\text{if } b^n < \epsilon$$

$$\text{if } n \ln b < \ln \epsilon$$

$$\text{if } n > \frac{\ln \epsilon}{\ln b}$$

$$\therefore \ln b < 0$$

Thus if we choose  $n_1 > \frac{\ln \epsilon}{\ln b}$ , we have

$$|a_n - 0| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq n_1$$

e.g if  $b = .8$  & if  $\epsilon = .01$  we have  $n_1 > \frac{\ln .01}{\ln .8}$   
 $\approx 20.6377$ . Thus  $n_1 = 21$  would be  
appropriate for  $\epsilon = .01$ .

## 17 Uniqueness of Limit

Theorem # <sup>glt.</sup>  $A$ , sequence in  $R$  can have at most one limit

Every Convergent sequence in  $R$  has a unique limit

OR  
The limit of the sequence, if it exists, is unique.

Proof # Let  $\{a_n\}$  be an arbitrary Convergent sequence and  $A, B$  be two limits of the sequence.

Suppose that  $A \neq B$

$$\text{Now } \frac{|A-B|}{2} > 0$$

$\therefore \{a_n\}$  Converges to  $A$

$\therefore$  for  $\epsilon = \frac{|A-B|}{2} \exists$  a natural no  $n_1$  such that

$$|a_n - A| < \frac{|A-B|}{2} \quad \rightarrow \textcircled{1} \quad \forall n \geq n_1$$

$\therefore \{a_n\}$  Converges to  $B$

$\therefore$  for  $\epsilon = \frac{|A-B|}{2} \exists$  a natural no  $n_2$  such that

$$|a_n - B| < \frac{|A-B|}{2}$$

Let  $n_3 = \text{Max}\{n_1, n_2\}$   
Then  $\forall n \geq n_3 \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$

$$\text{and } |a_n - A| < \frac{|A-B|}{2} \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

$$\forall n \geq n_3 \rightarrow \text{--- (3)}$$

$$|a_n - B| < \frac{|A-B|}{2} \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

$$\forall n \geq n_3 \rightarrow \text{--- (4)}$$

$$|A-B| = |A - a_n + a_n - B|$$

$$\leq |A - a_n| + |a_n - B|$$

$$< \frac{|A-B|}{2} + \frac{|A-B|}{2} \quad \forall n \geq n_3$$

$$\Rightarrow |A-B| < |A-B|$$

which is absurd. Hence  $A=B$

$\Rightarrow$  limit is unique.

OR

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = A$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = B$$

$\therefore$  For any  $\epsilon > 0 \exists n_1, n_2$  such that

$$|a_n - A| < \epsilon/2 \quad \forall n \geq n_1$$

$$|a_n - B| < \epsilon/2 \quad \forall n \geq n_2$$

Let  $n_3 = \max(n_1, n_2)$

Then

$$|a_n - A| < \epsilon/2 \quad \forall n \geq n_3$$

$$|a_n - B| < \epsilon/2 \quad \forall n \geq n_3$$

$$|A-B| = |A - a_n + a_n - B|$$

$$|A-B| \leq \frac{19}{2} |A-a_n| + |a_n-B|$$

$$< \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq n_3$$

$$\Rightarrow |A-B| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq n_3$$

$\therefore \epsilon$  is an arbitrary +ve quantity

$\therefore |A-B|$  is less than every +ve quantity however small and so must be zero

Thus  $|A-B| = 0$

$$\Rightarrow |A-B| = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow A-B=0 \Rightarrow A=B$$

$\Rightarrow$  Limit of sequence is unique.

Theorem # Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence of real numbers and let  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . The following statements are equivalent

(a) #  $\{x_n\}$  converges to  $x$ .

(b) # For every  $\epsilon > 0$   $\exists$  a natural no  $K$  such that

$$|x_n - x| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq K.$$

(c) # For every  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists$  a natural no  $K$  s. that

$$x - \epsilon < x_n < x + \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq K.$$

(d) # For every neighbourhood  $V_\epsilon(x)$  of  $x$   $\exists$  a natural no  $K$  such that  $\forall n \geq K, x_n \in V_\epsilon(x)$

a (a)  $\Rightarrow b \Rightarrow c \Rightarrow d$   
 Let  $\{x_n\}$  be convergent to  $x$ .  
 Then by definition for every  $\epsilon > 0$   $\exists$   
 a natural no  $K$  such that

$$\Rightarrow |x_n - x| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq K.$$

$$\Rightarrow x - \epsilon < x_n < x + \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq K.$$

$\Rightarrow x_n \in (x - \epsilon, x + \epsilon) \quad \forall n \geq K$ .  
 $\Rightarrow$  for every  $\epsilon$ -nbhd  $V_\epsilon(x)$   $\exists$  a  
 natural no  $K$  such that

$$x_n \in V_\epsilon(x) \quad \forall n \geq K.$$

## Divergent Sequence

(a) A sequence  $\{a_n\}$  is said to diverge  
 to  $+\infty$  if given any +ve real no  $K$ ,  
 however large,  $\exists$  a natural no  $n_1$ ,  
 such that

$$a_n > K \quad \forall n \geq n_1$$

and we write

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \infty \text{ or } a_n \rightarrow \infty \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

(b) A sequence  $\{a_n\}$  is said to diverge  
 to  $-\infty$  if given any +ve real no  $K$ ,

2.1 a natural no  $n$ .

however large,  $\exists$  such that  $a_n < -K$  or  $a_n \rightarrow -\infty$   $\forall n \geq N$

We write  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = -\infty$  or  $a_n \rightarrow -\infty$

Equivalently a sequence  $\{a_n\}$  diverges to  $-\infty$  if given any  $-M$  s.t

real no  $K \exists$  a natural no  $N$  s.t  $\forall n \geq N$

$a_n < K$   $a_n < K$  is said to be a sequence  $\{a_n\}$  if it diverges to  $+\infty$  divergent sequence

or  $-\infty$

Examples

(i) The sequences  $\{n\}$  &  $\{n^2\}$  diverge

to  $\infty$

The sequence  $\{-n\}$  &  $\{-n^2\}$  diverge

(ii) to  $-\infty$

## Oscillatory Sequence #

If a sequence  $\{a_n\}$  neither Converges to a finite number nor diverges to  $+\infty$  or  $-\infty$ , it is called an oscillatory sequence.

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Oscillatory sequences are of two types  
(a) A bounded sequence which does not converge is said to oscillate finitely.

(b) e.g.  $\{(-1)^n\}$   
Here  $a_n = (-1)^n$   $a_{2n} = (-1)^{2n} = 1$

$$a_{2n+1} = (-1)^{2n+1} = -1$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{2n} = 1 \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{2n+1} = -1$$

$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$  does not exist  $\Rightarrow$  sequence does not converge. It is bounded because

$$|a_n| = 1$$

Hence sequence oscillate finitely

(b) An unbounded sequence which does not diverge is said to oscillate infinitely. e.g.  $\{(-1)^n n\}$

$$a_n = (-1)^n n$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{2n} = \infty$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{2n+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (-1)^{2n+1} (2n+1) = -\infty$$

Thus sequence does not diverge

Hence this sequence oscillates infinitely

Null Sequence

A sequence which converges to zero

is said to be a null sequence.

e.g.  $\{\frac{1}{n}\}$ ,  $\{\frac{1}{n^2}\}$ ,  $\{\frac{1}{2^n}\}$  &  $\{(-1)^{n-1} \frac{1}{n}\}$

are null sequences

Note A sequence  $\{a_n\}$  is called infinitely small if  $\lim a_n = 0$  & infinitely large if  $\lim a_n = \infty$

Theorem # Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence of real numbers and  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

If  $\{a_n\}$  is a sequence of true real nos. with  $\lim a_n = 0$  and if for some  $c > 0$  and some natural no  $n_1$ , we have

$$\forall n \geq n_1,$$

$$|x_n - x| \leq c a_n$$

Then it follows that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_n) = x$

Proof  $\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$

$\therefore$  For given  $\epsilon > 0$   $\exists$  exists a natural no  $k(\epsilon/c)$  such that

$$|a_n - 0| < \epsilon/c \quad \forall n \geq k.$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n < \epsilon/c \quad \forall n \geq k.$$

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Let  $n_2 = \text{Max}(K, n_1)$   
Then

$$|x_n - x| \leq c a_n$$

$$\text{and } a_n < \epsilon/c$$

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$$|x_n - x| \leq c a_n < c(\epsilon/c) = \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq n_2.$$

Since  $\epsilon$  is arbitrary, we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$$

### Examples

1) # If  $a > 0$ , then  $\lim \left( \frac{1}{1+na} \right) = 0$

Sol #  $\because a > 0$

$$\therefore 0 < na < 1+na$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 < \frac{1}{1+na} < \frac{1}{na} = \frac{1}{a} \left( \frac{1}{n} \right)$$

Thus

$$\left| \frac{1}{1+na} - 0 \right| \leq \left( \frac{1}{a} \right) \frac{1}{n} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\text{Since } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0 \quad \text{and } \frac{1}{a} > 0 \neq n=1$$

from above theorem we have.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{1}{1+na} \right) = 0$$

2) # if  $0 < b < 1$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b^n = 0$

Sol

$$\because 0 < b < 1$$

$$\therefore b = \frac{1}{1+a} \Rightarrow a = \frac{1}{b} - 1$$

$$\text{So } a > 0 \quad (\because b < 1)$$

By Bernoulli's Inequality, we have

$$(1+a)^n \geq 1+na$$

Hence

$$0 < b^n = \frac{1}{(1+a)^n} \leq \frac{1}{1+na} < \frac{1}{na}$$

$$\Rightarrow b^n < \left(\frac{1}{a}\right) \frac{1}{n} \quad \forall n \geq 1$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0 \quad \& \quad \frac{1}{a} = c > 0$$

$\therefore$  By above theorem

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b^n = 0$$

$$\text{3) If } c > 0, \text{ then } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c^{1/n} = 1$$

Case I If  $c = 1$ , then sequence  $\{c^{1/n}\}$  is constant sequence  $\{1, 1, 1, \dots\}$  which

converges to 1. If  $c > 1$ , then  $c^{1/n} = 1 + d_n$ , some  $d_n > 0$

Case II By Bernoulli's Inequality

$$c = (1+d_n)^n \geq 1 + nd_n \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\Rightarrow c-1 \geq nd_n$$

$$\Rightarrow d_n \leq \frac{c-1}{n} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\text{now } |c^{1/n} - 1| = d_n \leq (c-1) \frac{1}{n} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \quad \because c > 1$$

By above theorem. <sup>26</sup>

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c_n = 1$$

Case III If  $0 < c < 1$ , then  $c = \frac{1}{1+h_n}$  for some  $h_n > 0$ . By Bernoulli's Inequality we have

$$c = \frac{1}{(1+h_n)^n} \leq \frac{1}{1+nh_n}$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 < h_n < \frac{1}{nc} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$0 < 1 - c^{1/n} = \frac{h_n}{1+h_n} < \frac{1}{nc}$$

$$\Rightarrow |c^{1/n} - 1| < \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{1}{c}\right) < \frac{1}{n} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

By above theorem

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c^{1/n} = 1$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{c^{1/n}} = 1$$

So

$$\therefore \frac{1}{c^{1/n}} > 1$$

Let  $\frac{1}{c^{1/n}} = 1 + h_n > 0$  for some  $h_n > 0$

$$\Rightarrow n(1+h_n) = \frac{1}{c^{1/n}} > 1 \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$= 1 + h_n + \frac{h_n^2}{2} + \dots + \frac{h_n^{n-1}}{(n-1)!} > 1 + h_n$$

$$\Rightarrow n < \frac{1}{h_n} + \frac{h_n}{2} + \dots + \frac{h_n^{n-2}}{(n-2)!} + \dots + \frac{h_n^{n-1}}{(n-1)!}$$

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$$1 \geq \frac{n(n-1)}{2} k_n^2$$

$$\forall n > 1$$

$$k_n^2 \leq \frac{2}{n}$$

$$\forall n > 1$$

$$k_n \leq \sqrt{2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$\forall n > 1$$

$$0 < n^{\frac{1}{n}} - 1 = k_n \leq \sqrt{2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \quad \forall n > 1$$

$$|n^{\frac{1}{n}} - 1| \leq \sqrt{2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \quad \forall n > 1$$

By above theorem

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{\frac{1}{n}} = 1$$

Theorem # Every Convergent Sequence is

bounded.

Proof # Let  $\{a_n\}$  be an arbitrary convergent sequence of real number and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = A$$

For  $\epsilon = 1$   $\exists$  a natural no  $n_0$

that

$$|a_n - A| < 1 \quad \forall n \geq n_0 \quad \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$|a_n| = |a_n - A + A|$$

$$\leq |a_n - A| + |A|$$

$$< 1 + |A|$$

$$\forall n \geq n_0$$

$|a_n| < 1 + |A|$   
Consider the set.

$$\forall n \geq m \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

$\{ |a_1|, |a_2|, |a_3|, \dots, |a_{m-1}| \} = \{ |a_n| : n \leq m-1 \}$   
which is finite and has a maximum.

Let  $M_1 = \max \{ |a_n| : n \leq m-1 \}$

Then  $|a_n| \leq M_1$

$$\forall n \leq m-1 \rightarrow \textcircled{3}$$

Let  $M = \max \{ 1 + |A|, M_1 \}$   
Then by  $\textcircled{2}$

$$\text{By } \textcircled{3} \quad |a_n| < 1 + |A| \leq M \quad \forall n \geq m \rightarrow \textcircled{4}$$

$$\text{From } \textcircled{4} \text{ \& } \textcircled{5} \text{ we have.} \quad |a_n| \leq M_1 \leq M \quad \forall n \leq m-1 \rightarrow \textcircled{5}$$

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  is bounded.  
 $|a_n| \leq M \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

From  $\textcircled{1}$  OR

$$A-1 < a_n < A+1 \quad \forall n \geq m$$

Let  $k = \min \{ a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_{m-1}, A-1 \}$

and  $k = \max \{ a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_{m-1}, A+1 \}$

Then.  $k \leq a_n$

$$n \leq m-1 \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

and.  $k \leq A-1 < a_n \quad \forall n \geq m \rightarrow \textcircled{3}$

$$\Rightarrow k \leq a_n \quad \forall n \rightarrow \textcircled{3} \text{ by } \textcircled{1} \text{ \& } \textcircled{2}$$

Also

$$a_n \leq K$$

and  $a_n < A + 1 \leq K$

$$\Rightarrow a_n \leq K \quad \forall n$$

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$$K \leq a_n \leq K$$

$$\forall n.$$

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  is bounded.

Discussion #11 The intuition for this theorem is quite simple. First by definition of limit all the terms with large index must be close to  $A$ .

Since the no of terms with small index is finite, and every finite set is bounded, therefore we are able to construct a bound for all terms of the sequence.

(2) # The Converse of the above theorem.

is not true i.e a bounded sequence is not necessarily Convergent e.g the sequence  $\{(-1)^n\}$  is bounded.

and divergent.

(3) Convergence  $\longrightarrow$  Boundedness

Contra-positive if it is

A sequence that is not bounded can never Converge.

This is a useful tool for showing certain sequences do not Converge. The sequence  $\{n\}$  diverges because the set of the integers is not bounded.

Theorem # If a sequence is unbounded,

then it must diverge or it can not converge.

Proof # Suppose that the sequence  $\{a_n\}$  is unbounded and let on the contrary it converges and its limit is  $A$ .

Then for  $\epsilon = 1$   $\exists$  a natural no  $m$ .

Such that  $|a_n - A| < 1 \quad \forall n > m$ .

$$|a_n| = |a_n - A + A| \leq |a_n - A| + |A| \leq 1 + |A| \quad \forall n > m.$$

if  $n < m$ , then

$$|a_n| \leq M \cup \{|a_1|, |a_2|, \dots, |a_{m-1}|\}$$

$$\text{Let } M = M \cup \{|a_1|, |a_2|, \dots, |a_{m-1}|, 1 + |A|\}$$

Then  $|a_n| \leq M \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  is bounded, which is a contradiction.

Hence  $\{a_n\}$  is not convergent.

Theorem # If  $\{a_n\}$  is a convergent sequence of real numbers such that  $a_n \geq 0 \quad \forall n$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = A$ , then  $A \geq 0$ .

Proof # Let on contrary  $A < 0$ .

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Then  $-A > 0$

$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = A$

$\therefore \text{For } \epsilon = -A > 0 \exists \text{ a natural no.}$

$n_1$  such that

$$\forall n \geq n_1$$

$$|a_n - A| < -A = \epsilon$$

$$\forall n \geq n_1$$

$$A - \epsilon < a_n < A + \epsilon$$

$\Rightarrow$

In particular, we have

$$a_{n_1} < A + \epsilon = A + (-A) = 0$$

$\Rightarrow a_{n_1} < 0$

But this contradicts the hypothesis that  
 $\forall n. \text{ Thus } a_n \geq 0$

$a_n \geq 0$

OR

For  $\epsilon = -\frac{A}{2} > 0 \exists \text{ a natural no. } n_1$

such that  $|a_n - A| < -\frac{A}{2} = \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq n_1$

$$\Rightarrow a_n - A < -\frac{A}{2}$$

$$\forall n \geq n_1$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n < \frac{A}{2} < 0$$

$$\forall n \geq n_1$$

$\Rightarrow$  But by hypothesis  $a_n \geq 0 \quad \forall n$

Hence a contradiction. Thus  $A \geq 0$

Note (1) This theorem states that a ~~the~~ sequence of non-negative terms if converges, then converges

to a non-negative limit. 32

(2) If the sequence ultimately becomes non-negative, then if exists, it will have non-negative limit.

Theorem # If a sequence  $\{a_n\}$  Converges to  $A$ , then the sequence  $\{|a_n|\}$  Converges to  $|A|$

Proof #.  $\therefore \{a_n\}$  Converges to  $A$

$\therefore$  For a given  $\epsilon > 0 \exists$  a natural

no  $n$ , such that

$$|a_n - A| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq n_1$$

Now

$$||a_n| - |A|| \leq |a_n - A| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq n_1$$

$\Rightarrow \{|a_n|\}$  Converges to  $|A|$

Converse of above is not true  $|a_n| = 1 \forall n$  but  $\{(-1)^n\}$  is dgt

Theorem Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence of real nos. that Converges to  $x$  and suppose that  $x_n \geq 0$ . Then the sequence  $\{\sqrt{x_n}\}$  of the square roots Converges and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\sqrt{x_n}) = \sqrt{x}$

Proof #  $\therefore x_n \geq 0 \quad \therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n \geq 0$

So The theorem makes the sense.

Case (i) if  $x = 0$ , then  $x_n \rightarrow 0$  and for given  $\epsilon > 0 \exists$  a natural no  $n_1$  such that  $|x_n - 0| < \epsilon^2 \quad \forall n \geq n_1$

$$0 \leq x_n$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 \leq \sqrt{x_n}$$

$\therefore \epsilon$  is arbitrary

Case ii if  $x_n < x$

$$\sqrt{x_n} - \sqrt{x} =$$

$$=$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{x_n} + \sqrt{x} > 0$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{\sqrt{x_n} + \sqrt{x}} \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$$

and

$$\sqrt{x_n} - \sqrt{x} = \frac{x_n - x}{\sqrt{x_n} + \sqrt{x}}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\sqrt{x_n} - \sqrt{x}| \leq \frac{|x_n - x|}{\sqrt{x}}$$

$$\therefore x_n \rightarrow x$$

$$\therefore \text{for } \epsilon > 0$$

such that

$$|x_n - x|$$

using in ①

$$|\sqrt{x_n} - \sqrt{x}| < \epsilon$$

Theorem # <sup>34</sup>

Let  $\{a_n\}$  be a sequence.

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$  iff  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |a_n| = 0$  i.e.  $\{a_n\}$  is a null sequence iff  $\{|a_n|\}$  is a null sequence.

Proof # Suppose that  $\{a_n\}$  is a null sequence, then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$

$\therefore$  Given  $\epsilon > 0$   $\exists$  a true integer  $n$ , such that

$$|a_n - 0| < \epsilon \quad \forall n > n_1$$

$$\Rightarrow |a_n| < \epsilon \quad \forall n > n_1$$

$$\Rightarrow |a_n| - 0 = |a_n| = |a_n| < \epsilon \quad \forall n > n_1$$

$\Rightarrow \{|a_n|\}$  is a null sequence.

Now Suppose that  $\{|a_n|\}$  is a null sequence

, then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |a_n| = 0$

$\therefore$  Given  $\epsilon > 0$   $\exists$  a natural no  $m$  such that

$$||a_n| - 0| < \epsilon \quad \forall n > m$$

$$\Rightarrow ||a_n| < \epsilon \quad \forall n > m$$

$$\Rightarrow |a_n| < \epsilon \quad \forall n > m$$

$$\Rightarrow |a_n - 0| < \epsilon \quad \forall n > m$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$$

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Theorem#

If  $\{a_n\}$  is a bounded sequence, then  $\{a_n b_n\}$  is a null sequence.

Proof#

$\because \{b_n\}$  is a bounded sequence  
 $\therefore \exists$  a real number  $M$  such that  
 $|b_n| \leq M \quad \forall n.$

Also  $\{a_n\}$  is a null sequence  $\Rightarrow \exists$  a positive integer  $m$  such that

$\Rightarrow$  Given  $\epsilon > 0, \exists$  a positive integer  $m \quad \forall n \geq m.$

$$|a_n| < \frac{\epsilon}{M}$$

$$|a_n b_n - 0| = |a_n| |b_n| < \frac{\epsilon}{M} \cdot M = \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m.$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n b_n = 0$$

Theorem# If a sequence  $\{a_n\}$  oscillates finitely and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = 0$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n b_n) = 0$

Proof#  $\because \{a_n\}$  oscillates finitely

$\therefore \{a_n\}$  is bounded.

By above theorem.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n b_n = 0$

Theorem# If  $\{a_n\}$  is a null sequence and  $c$  is a constant, then  $\{c a_n\}$  is a null sequence

Proof # <sup>36</sup>

$\therefore \{a_n\}$  is a null sequence.

$\Rightarrow$  Given  $\epsilon > 0, \exists$  a true integer  $m$ .

Such that

$$|a_n| < \frac{\epsilon}{k+1} \quad \forall n \geq m$$

Now

$$|c_n| = |k| |a_n| < \left( \frac{|k|}{k+1} \right) \epsilon < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c_n = 0$$

$\Rightarrow \{c_n\}$  is a null sequence.

### Subsequence #

If a new sequence is constructed from the terms of old sequence by picking out terms in any way (but preserving the original order) but in the same order as in original, then new sequence is called a subsequence of the old sequence.

OR

Let  $f: N \rightarrow N$  be a strictly increasing function with  $f(k)$  denoted by  $n_k$ . If  $\{a_n\}$  is any sequence, then  $\{a_{n_k}\}_{k=1}^{\infty} = \{a_{n_k}\}$  is called a subsequence of  $\{a_n\}$ .

$$f: N \rightarrow N$$

Note  $a: N \rightarrow R$

$$(a \circ f)(k) = a_{f(k)} = a_{n_k}$$

## Explanation # 37

Consider the sequence  $\{a_n\}$  defined by  $a_n = \frac{1}{n}$  i.e.

$$1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{5}, \dots \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

If we construct a subsequence by crossing out every other term, we get a subsequence.

$$1, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{5}, \dots$$

Sub-sequence  $\xrightarrow{f}$  Super Sequence  $\xrightarrow{a}$  term  
index  $N$  index  $N$

$$f \xrightarrow{f} f(k) = n_k$$

$$1 \xrightarrow{f} f(1) = n_1 = 1 \longrightarrow a_1 = 1$$

$$2 \xrightarrow{f} f(2) = n_2 = 3 \longrightarrow a_3 = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$3 \xrightarrow{f} f(3) = n_3 = 5 \longrightarrow a_5 = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$\dots \xrightarrow{f} \dots \xrightarrow{f} \dots$$

$$k \xrightarrow{f} f(k) = n_k = 2k-1 \longrightarrow a_{2k-1} = \frac{1}{2k-1}$$

Thus subsequence  $\{a_{n_k}\} = \{a_{2k-1}\} = \left\{ \frac{1}{2k-1} \right\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$

or subsequence is  $\left\{ \frac{1}{2n-1} \right\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$

Note (1) we note that  $n_k$  is no. of index which corresponds to  $k$ th term of the subsequence.

$$(2) \quad n_k \geq k$$

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If we cross-out every odd numbered term we get the subsequence.

$\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{6}, \dots$			
Sub-sequence index	( $n_k$ ) sequence index	$a$	term. Sub-sequence. $a_{n_k}$
		$a \rightarrow a_2 = \frac{1}{2}$	

1	$\rightarrow n_1 = 2$	$a \rightarrow a_4 = \frac{1}{4}$
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2	$\rightarrow n_2 = 4$	$a \rightarrow a_6 = \frac{1}{6}$
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3	$\rightarrow n_3 = 6$	
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$k$	$\rightarrow n_k = 2k$	$a_{2k} = \frac{1}{2k}$
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Thus the subsequence is  $\left\{ \frac{1}{2k} \right\}_{k=1}^{\infty} = \left\{ \frac{1}{2n} \right\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$

### Examples

The subsequences of the sequence of even integers  $\{2n\}$  are.

(a) The sub-sequence of even integers  $= \{2n-1\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$   
 $= \{2, 4, 6, \dots\}$

(b) The sub-sequence of odd integers  $= \{2n-1\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$   
 $= \{1, 3, 5, \dots\}$

(c) The subsequence of primes  $2, 3, 5, 7, 11, \dots$

Remarks # (1) # The terms of a subsequence occur in the same order in which they occur in the original sequence.

(2) # Every sequence is a subsequence of itself

(3) # The interval in the various terms of a subsequence need not be regular.

(4) # Given a term  $a_m$  of a sequence  $\{a_n\}$ , there is a term of the subsequence following it.

Theorem # If a sequence  $\{a_n\}$  converges to  $A$ , then every subsequence of  $\{a_n\}$  converges to  $A$ .

Proof # Let  $\{a_{n_k}\}$  be a subsequence of  $\{a_n\}$   
 $\therefore \{a_n\}$  converges to  $A$

$\therefore$  Given  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists$  a natural no  $N_1$  such that  
 $|a_n - A| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq N_1 \rightarrow (1)$

Since  $n_k$  is strictly increasing sequence and  $n \geq N_1$ , then  
 therefore  $n_k \geq n \geq N_1$ . Thus if  $k \geq N_1$ , then  
 we have  $n_k \geq k \geq N_1$  and from (1)

$$|a_{n_k} - A| < \epsilon \quad \forall n_k \geq N_1$$

$\Rightarrow \{a_{n_k}\}$  converges to  $A$ .

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Let  $a_n = \frac{64}{n}$

Note # [1] # The converse of the above theorem is not true i.e. if a subsequence or even an infinitely many subsequences of a given sequence converge, the original sequence does not converge. e.g. let  $a_n = (-1)^n$ . Then  $\{a_n\}$  and  $\{a_{2n}\}$  converge. However the two subsequences  $\{a_{2n-1}\}$  and  $\{a_{2n}\}$  converge to  $-1$  and  $1$  respectively.

[2] # If all subsequences of a sequence  $\{a_n\}$  converge to the same limit, only then  $\{a_n\}$  converges to that limit.

[3] # To prove that a sequence is not convergent it is sufficient to show that two of its subsequences converge to different limit.

In fact  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = A$  iff every subsequence converges to the same limit.

Example

The sequences  $\{\frac{1}{2n}\}$  &  $\{\frac{1}{n}\}$  are subsequences of the convergent sequence  $\{\frac{1}{n}\}$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0$ .

Thus  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0$

Theorem # <sup>(extra)</sup> A sequence  $\{a_n\}$  converges to a limit  $A$  iff the subsequences of even numbered terms and odd numbered terms i.e.  $\{a_{2n}\}$  &  $\{a_{2n-1}\}$  both converge to  $A$ .

Proof # Let  $\{a_n\}$  converges to  $A$ . Then for

Given  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists$  a natural  $N_1$  such that

$$|a_n - A| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq N_1$$

$$\Rightarrow |a_{2n} - A| < \epsilon \quad \forall (2n) \geq N_1$$

$$\text{and } |a_{2n-1} - A| < \epsilon \quad \forall (2n-1) \geq N_1$$

$\Rightarrow$  Subsequences  $\{a_{2n}\}$  &  $\{a_{2n-1}\}$  converge to A

Converse Let  $\{a_{2n}\}$  &  $\{a_{2n-1}\}$  both converge to A. Then for given  $\epsilon > 0$   $\exists$  natural nos  $N_1$  &  $N_2$  such that

$$|a_{2n} - A| < \epsilon \quad \forall 2n \geq N_1$$

$$\text{and } |a_{2n-1} - A| < \epsilon \quad \forall (2n-1) \geq N_2$$

Let  $N_3 = \max(N_1, N_2)$ , then

$$|a_{2n} - A| < \epsilon \quad \forall (2n) \geq N_3$$

$$\text{and } |a_{2n-1} - A| < \epsilon \quad \forall (2n-1) \geq N_3$$

$$\Rightarrow |a_n - A| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq N_3$$

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  converges to A.

### Examples

The sequence

$$\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{2^2}, \frac{1}{2^3}, \frac{1}{3^2}, \frac{1}{2^3}, \frac{1}{3^3}, \frac{1}{2^4}, \frac{1}{3^4}, \dots$$

Converges to zero since even numbered and

odd numbered terms both converge to 0.

Sequence  $1, \frac{1}{2}, 1, \frac{1}{3}, 1, \frac{1}{4}, \dots$

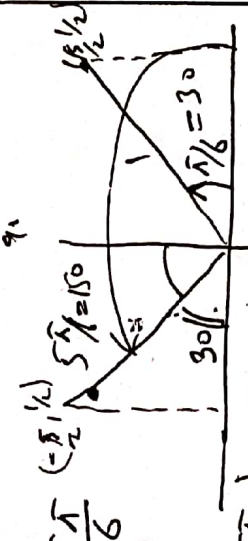
diverges because even and odd numbered terms converge to 0 & 1

Q# 64 Let a 43 sequence  $\{\sin n\}$  diverges

prove that Sol We use elementary properties of sine function.

We note that

and  $\sin \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{1}{2} = \sin \frac{5\pi}{6}$



$\sin x >$  in interval  $(\frac{\pi}{6}, \frac{5\pi}{6}) = I_1$

$\therefore$  The length of the interval  $I_1 = \frac{5\pi}{6} - \frac{\pi}{6} = \frac{4\pi}{6} > 2$

$\therefore$  There are at least two natural numbers lying inside  $I_1$ . let  $n_1$  be the 1st such number.

Similarly for each  $k \in \mathbb{N}$

$\sin x > \frac{1}{2} \quad \forall x \in (\frac{\pi}{6} + 2\pi(k-1), \frac{5\pi}{6} + 2\pi(k-1)) =$

Let  $I_k = (\frac{\pi}{6} + 2\pi(k-1), \frac{5\pi}{6} + 2\pi(k-1))$

$\therefore$  The length of  $I_k$  is greater than 2.

$\therefore$  There are at least two natural numbers lying inside  $I_k$ .

We let  $n_k$  be the 1st one. The subsequence

$\{\sin n_k\}$  of  $\{\sin n\}$  obtained in this has property

that

$\sin n_k \in [\frac{1}{2}, 1] \quad \forall n_k$

Similarly if  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $I_k$  is the interval

$J_k = (\frac{7\pi}{6} + 2\pi(k-1), \frac{11\pi}{6} + 2\pi(k-1))$ , then

$\sin x < -\frac{1}{2} \quad \forall x \in J_k$

Theorem # (a) If a sequence  $\{a_n\}$  diverges to  $+\infty$ , then every subsequence of  $\{a_n\}$  also diverges to  $+\infty$ .  
 (b) If a sequence  $\{a_n\}$  diverges to  $-\infty$ , then every subsequence of  $\{a_n\}$  also diverges to  $-\infty$ .

Proof # Let  $\{a_{n_k}\}$  be a subsequence of  $\{a_n\}$ .

$\therefore \{a_{n_k}\}$  diverges to  $+\infty$

$\therefore$  For every +ve real no  $K$ , however large,  $\exists$  a natural no  $m$  such that

$$a_n > K \quad \forall n \geq m.$$

$\therefore \{a_{n_k}\}$  is strictly increasing sequence

$\therefore$  For  $k_0 \geq m$ , we have  $a_{k_0} \geq k_0 \geq m$ .

and hence for  $n_k \geq n_{k_0} \geq m$   
 $a_{n_k} > K \quad \forall n_k \geq m.$

$\Rightarrow \{a_{n_k}\}$  diverges to  $+\infty$

(b) Try yourself

Note [I] # The converse of above theorem is not true i.e. if a subsequence of a given sequence diverges to  $+\infty$  ( $-\infty$ ), then the sequence need not diverge to  $+\infty$  ( $-\infty$ ) e.g.

$$\text{let } a_n = (-1)^n n = \begin{cases} -n & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \\ n & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

Then sub-sequence  $\{a_{2n-1}\}$  diverges to  $-\infty$  & the sub-sequence  $\{a_{2n}\}$  diverges to  $+\infty$  but the sequence does not diverge to  $+\infty$  or  $-\infty$  but oscillates.  
[II] # If all subsequences diverge to  $+\infty$  ( $-\infty$ ) only then the sequence diverges to  $+\infty$  ( $-\infty$ ).

Q# Let  $a_n$  be a sequence

length of  $J_k$  is greater than  $\frac{1}{2}$ .  
 There are at least two natural numbers lying inside  $J_k$ . Let  $m_k$  be the 1st natural number lying in  $J_k$ .  
 The subsequence  $\{\sin m_k\}$  of  $\{\sin n\}$  is such that

$$\sin m_k \in [-1, -\frac{1}{2}] \quad \forall m_k.$$

Now  $[-1, -\frac{1}{2}] \cup [\frac{1}{2}, 1]$   
 Let  $c$  be any real number. Then at least of the  
 subsequences  $\{\sin m_k\}$  &  $\{\sin m_k\}$  lie entirely outside  
 of  $\frac{1}{2}$ -nbhd of  $c$  i.e.  $(c-\frac{1}{2}, c+\frac{1}{2})$ . Therefore  $c$   
 can not be a limit of that subsequence.  
 $c \in \mathbb{R}$  is an arbitrary, therefore that subsequence  
 is divergent and the sequence is also divergent.

Q# A sequence defined by

$$a_n = (1 - \frac{1}{n}) \sin \frac{n\pi}{2}$$

diverges

Sol We have.

$$a_{2k} = (1 - \frac{1}{2k}) \sin k\pi = (1 - \frac{1}{2k}) \cdot 0 = 0$$

$k=1, 2, \dots$

$$a_{4k+1} = (1 - \frac{1}{4k+1}) \sin(4k+1)\frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$= (1 - \frac{1}{4k+1}) (1) \quad k=1, 2, \dots$$

We note that subsequences  $\{a_{2k}\}$  and  $\{a_{4k+1}\}$   
 Converges to 0 & 1

## 45 Convergence of Constant Sequence.

Theorem # A Constant Sequence is cgt.

OR  
If  $a_n = c \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = c.$$

Proof # Let  $\epsilon > 0$ , then.

$$|a_n - c| = |c - c| = 0 < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq 1 = n_1$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n \rightarrow c$$

## ALGEBRA OF LIMITS #

If  $\{a_n\}$  &  $\{b_n\}$  are sequences of real nos  
, we define their sum to be.

$$\{a_n + b_n\}$$

addition is  
performed term by  
term.

Product by  $\{a_n b_n\}$

$$\{a_n - b_n\}$$

Difference by

If  $b_n \neq 0 \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then division is defined by

$$\frac{\{a_n\}}{\{b_n\}} = \left\{ \frac{a_n}{b_n} \right\}$$

Multiple of sequence  $\{a_n\}$  by  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  is  
defined by  $\{c a_n\}$

Q. # <sup>64</sup> Let  $a$  be a constant. Then

Theorem # If  $\{a_n\}$  &  $\{b_n\}$  be sequence of real nos. that converge to  $A$  &  $B$  respectively and  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then.

(a)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n + b_n) = A + B$  (a)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c a_n = cA$

(b)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n - b_n) = A - B$

(c)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n b_n) = AB$

(d) If  $a_n \neq 0 \forall n$  and  $A \neq 0$ , then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{a_n} = \frac{1}{A}$$

(e)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \frac{A}{B}$  provided  $b_n \neq 0 \neq B \neq 0$

Proof # (a)  $\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = A$   
 $\therefore$  Given  $\epsilon > 0 \exists$  even integer

$m$  such that

$$|a_n - A| < \frac{\epsilon}{|c| + 1} \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$|c a_n - c A| = |c| |a_n - A|$$

$$< |c| \frac{\epsilon}{|c| + 1} < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c a_n = c A$$

OR

If  $c = 0$ , then result is obvious because

$$|c a_n - c A| = 0 < \epsilon \quad \forall n \quad \forall \epsilon > 0$$

Let  $c \neq 0$ .

$$a_n \rightarrow A$$

$\therefore$  for given  $\epsilon > 0 \exists$  a natural no  $m$

Such that-

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$$|a_n - A| < \frac{\epsilon}{|c|}$$

$$|ca_n - cA| = |c| |a_n - A|$$

$$< |c| \frac{\epsilon}{|c|} = \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$|ca_n - A| < \epsilon$$

$$\forall n \geq m$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} ca_n = cA$$

(a) Given  $\epsilon > 0$

$$\because \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = A$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = B$$

$\therefore \exists$  natural nos  $m_1 \neq m_2$  such that

$$|a_n - A| < \epsilon/2 \quad \forall n \geq m_1 \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$|b_n - B| < \epsilon/2 \quad \forall n \geq m_2 \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

Let  $m = \max(m_1, m_2)$ . Then

$$|a_n - A| < \epsilon/2 \rightarrow \textcircled{3}$$

$$|b_n - B| < \epsilon/2 \rightarrow \textcircled{4}$$

$$|(a_n + b_n) - (A + B)| = |(a_n - A) + (b_n - B)|$$

$$\leq |a_n - A| + |b_n - B|$$

$$< \epsilon/2 + \epsilon/2 = \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n + b_n) = A + B$$

Q. 64 Let  $a$  be a constant. Then

$$(b) \quad |(a_n + b_n) - (A - B)| = |(a_n - A) - (b_n - B)|$$

$$\leq |a_n - A| + |b_n - B|$$

$$\Rightarrow |a_n - A| + |b_n - B| < \epsilon/2 + \epsilon/2 = \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$\Rightarrow |(a_n + b_n) - (A - B)| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n + b_n) = A - B$$

Note The converse of (a) & (b) not necessarily true i.e. existence  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n + b_n)$  does not necessarily imply that  $\lim a_n$  &  $\lim b_n$  also exist. e.g. let  $a_n = n$   $b_n = -n$  both divergent but  $a_n + b_n = 0 \quad \forall n$  &  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n + b_n) = 0$   
let  $a_n = n$   $b_n = n$   
 $a_n - b_n = 0$  &  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n - b_n) = 0$  but  $\{a_n\}$  &  $\{b_n\}$  are divergent

(c) Let  $\epsilon > 0$  be given.

$$|a_n \cdot b_n - AB| = |a_n \cdot b_n - b_n \cdot A + b_n \cdot A - AB|$$

$$\leq |a_n \cdot b_n - b_n \cdot A| + |b_n \cdot A - AB|$$

$$= |b_n| |a_n - A| + |A| |b_n - B| \rightarrow 0$$

$\therefore$  The sequence  $\{b_n\}$  being cgt is bounded.

$\therefore \exists$  a no  $M$  such that

$$|b_n| \leq M$$

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$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = A \quad \& \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = B$$

$\therefore \exists$  nos  $m_1, m_2 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$|a_n - A| < \frac{\epsilon}{2M} \quad \forall n \geq m_1 \rightarrow$$

$$\text{and } |b_n - B| < \frac{\epsilon}{2(|A|+1)} \quad \left[ \begin{array}{l} \frac{\epsilon}{2(|A|+1)} \text{ used.} \\ \text{rather than } \frac{\epsilon}{2|A|} \text{ to avoid.} \end{array} \right]$$

$\forall n \geq m_2$  from  $A=0$

Let  $m = \max(m_1, m_2)$ . Then.

$$|a_n - A| < \frac{\epsilon}{2M} \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

$$|b_n - B| < \frac{\epsilon}{2(|A|+1)} \rightarrow \textcircled{3}$$

From  $\textcircled{1}$ ,  $\textcircled{2}$  &  $\textcircled{3}$

$$|a_n \cdot b_n - AB| \leq |b_n| |a_n - A| + |A| |b_n - B|$$

$$< M \cdot \frac{\epsilon}{2M} + |A| \cdot \frac{\epsilon}{2(|A|+1)} \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$= \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \left( \frac{|A|}{|A|+1} \right) \frac{\epsilon}{2} < \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon$$

$\forall n \geq m$

$$\Rightarrow |a_n \cdot b_n - AB| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n b_n = AB$$

Q# Let  $a$  be a constant. Then

Corollary# 50 Let  $\{a_n\}$  be a sequence such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = l$  and  $k$  be any +ve integer. Then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n^k = l^k$ .

Proof# By induction on  $k$

For  $k=2$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n^2 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \cdot a_n = l \cdot l = l^2$$

$\Rightarrow$  It is true for  $k=2$

Let it be true for  $k=p$  i.e.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n^p = l^p \quad p > 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n^p = l \cdot l^p$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \cdot \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n^p = l^{p+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n \cdot a_n^p) = l^{p+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n^{p+1} = l^{p+1}$$

$\Rightarrow$  It is true for  $k=p+1$

Thus it is true for all +ve integral values of  $k$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n^k = l^k$

Note <sup>5.1</sup> the converse of the above theorem is not necessarily true i.e. existence of  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n b_n)$  does not necessarily imply that the two limits  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$  &  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n$  also exist. e.g.

let  $a_n = b_n = (-1)^n$ , then both limits  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$  &  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n$  do not exist. But

$$a_n b_n = (-1)^n (-1)^n = (-1)^{2n} = 1 \quad \forall n$$

So that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n b_n) = 1$  exists.

(d) Fix  $\epsilon > 0$ .

$$\left| \frac{1}{a_n} - \frac{1}{A} \right| = \left| \frac{A - a_n}{a_n A} \right| = \frac{|a_n - A|}{|a_n| |A|} \rightarrow 0$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = A \quad \therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |a_n| = |A|$$

Taking  $\epsilon = \frac{|A|}{2}$   
 $\exists$  a true integer  $m_1$  s. that  $\forall n \geq m_1$

$$||a_n| - |A|| < \frac{|A|}{2} \quad \forall n \geq m_1$$

$$\Rightarrow |A| - \frac{|A|}{2} < |a_n| < |A| + \frac{|A|}{2} \quad \forall n \geq m_1$$

$$\frac{|A|}{2} < |a_n| \quad \forall n \geq m_1$$

Q# Let  $a$  be a constant. Then

Now  $|a_n - A| < \frac{|A|}{2} \quad \forall n \geq m_1$

$$||a_n| - |A|| \leq |a_n - A| < \frac{|A|}{2} \quad \forall n \geq m_1$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{|A|}{2} \leq -|a_n - A| \leq |a_n| - |A| \quad \forall n \geq m_1$$

$$\leq |a_n| - |A|$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{|A|}{2} \leq |a_n| - |A|$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{|A|}{2} \leq |a_n|$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{|a_n|} \leq \frac{2}{|A|} \quad \forall n \geq m_1$$

OR

$$|a_n - A| < \frac{|A|}{2} \quad \forall n \geq m_1$$

$$\Rightarrow |a_n - A| + |a_n| < \frac{|A|}{2} + |a_n| \quad \forall n \geq m_1 \xrightarrow{(a)}$$

$$|A| = |A - a_n + a_n| \leq |A - a_n| + |a_n|$$

$$\Rightarrow |A| \leq |A - a_n| + |a_n| < \frac{|A|}{2} + |a_n| \quad \forall n \geq m_1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{|A|}{2} < |a_n|$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{|a_n|} < \frac{2}{|A|} \quad \forall n \geq m_1$$

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$$\frac{2}{|A|} > \frac{1}{|a_n|} \quad \forall n \geq m_1$$

$$\frac{1}{|a_n|} < \frac{2}{|A|} \quad \forall n \geq m_1$$

$\exists$  natural no

Also  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = A$ , therefore  $\exists$  natural no  $m_2$  s. that  $\forall n \geq m_2$ .

$$|a_n - A| < \frac{|A|^2 \epsilon}{2}$$

Let  $m = \max(m_1, m_2)$ . Then.

$$\forall n \geq m \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

$$\forall n \geq m \rightarrow \textcircled{3}$$

$$\text{and } |a_n - A| < \frac{|A|^2 \epsilon}{2}$$

From  $\textcircled{1}$   $\textcircled{2}$  &  $\textcircled{3}$

$$\left| \frac{1}{a_n} - \frac{1}{A} \right| = \frac{|a_n - A|}{|a_n| |A|} < \frac{1}{2|A|} \cdot \frac{|A|^2 \epsilon}{2} = \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m.$$

$$\Rightarrow \left| \frac{1}{a_n} - \frac{1}{A} \right| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m.$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{a_n} = \frac{1}{A}$$

OR

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = A \quad \exists m_1 \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s. that}$$

$$\therefore \text{for } \epsilon = \frac{|A|}{2} > 0$$

Q. #

Remarks

terms  
essential  
non zero  
vertically  
limit of  
2) # Let

$$\frac{n}{n} - \frac{A}{B} =$$

$$= \frac{|B(a_n -$$

$$= \frac{|B| |a_n -$$

$$= \frac{|a_n -$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n$$

$$= a_n$$

$$|b_n - B|$$

$$\frac{|B|}{2} >$$

$$|b_n| >$$

$$|b_n| <$$

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$$\frac{A b_n}{A} =$$

$$\frac{A(B - b_n)}{A}$$

$$+ \frac{|A| |b_n -$$

$$+ \frac{|A| |b_n|}{|b_n| |B|}$$

no m,

$$\frac{|B|}{2} \geq$$

$$|B| -$$

$$A$$

$$A n$$

$$\frac{54}{2} + 1 = 55$$

$$||b_n| - |B|| \leq |b_n - B| < \frac{|B|}{2} \quad \forall n \geq m_1$$

$$\Rightarrow |B| - \frac{|B|}{2} < |b_n| < |B| + \frac{|B|}{2} \quad \forall n \geq m_1$$

$$\Rightarrow |b_n| > \frac{|B|}{2} \quad \forall n \geq m_1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{|b_n|} < \frac{2}{|B|} \quad \forall n \geq m_1 \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

$$\text{Also } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = A \neq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = B$$

$\Rightarrow \exists$  natural nos  $m_2, m_3$  such that

$$|a_n - A| < \frac{|B|}{4} \quad \forall n \geq m_2 \rightarrow \textcircled{3}$$

$$|b_n - B| < \frac{|B|^2}{4(|A|+1)} \quad \forall n \geq m_3 \rightarrow \textcircled{4}$$

Let  $m = \max(m_1, m_2, m_3)$ . Then.

$$\frac{1}{|b_n|} < \frac{2}{|B|} \quad \forall n \geq m \rightarrow \textcircled{5}$$

$$|a_n - A| < \frac{|B|}{4} \quad \forall n \geq m \rightarrow \textcircled{6}$$

$$|b_n - B| < \frac{|B|^2}{4(|A|+1)} \quad \forall n \geq m \rightarrow \textcircled{7}$$

From  $\textcircled{1}, \textcircled{5}, \textcircled{6} \& \textcircled{7}$

$$\left| \frac{a_n}{b_n} - \frac{A}{B} \right| \leq \frac{|a_n - A|}{|b_n|} + \frac{|A| |b_n - B|}{|b_n| |B|}$$

$$< \frac{2}{|B|} \cdot \frac{|B|}{4} + \frac{2}{|B|} \cdot \frac{|A|}{|B|} \cdot \frac{|B|^2}{4(|A|+1)} \quad \forall n \geq m$$

Q# Let  $a$  be a constant.

$$= \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{|A|}{|A|+1} \cdot \frac{\epsilon}{2} \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$< \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m.$$

$$\Rightarrow \left| \frac{a_n}{b_n} - \frac{A}{B} \right| < \epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = \frac{A}{B}$$

theorem is

Note# The converse of the above theorem is not necessarily true i.e the existence of  $\lim \left( \frac{a_n}{b_n} \right)$  does not necessarily imply that the  $\lim a_n$  and  $\lim b_n$  also exist.

Two limits  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$  &  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n$  does

e.g  $a_n = b_n = n$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = \infty$  not exist. But  $\frac{a_n}{b_n} = \frac{1}{1} = 1$  &  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_n}{b_n} = 1$

Theorem# If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = A$  &  $A \neq 0$ , then

$\exists$  a +ve integer  $k$  and natural no  $m$  such

that  $|a_n| > k > 0$  i.e sequence is eventually bounded away from zero  $\therefore |A| > 0$

Proof#  $\because A \neq 0$

Also  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = A$  natural no  $m$  s.t

$$\Rightarrow \text{For } \epsilon = \frac{|A|}{2}, \quad |a_n - A| < \frac{|A|}{2} \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$\underline{56+1=57}$$

$$\text{Now } |A| = |A - a_n + a_n|$$

$$\leq |A| + |a_n - A|$$

$$< |a_n| + \frac{|A|}{2} \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{|A|}{2} < |a_n| \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$\Rightarrow |a_n| > \frac{|A|}{2} > 0 \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$\Rightarrow |a_n| > \frac{|A|}{2} = k \quad \forall n \geq m$$

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Theorem # (Limit is order preserving on convergent sequences)

If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = A$  &  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = B$ ,  $a_n \leq b_n \quad \forall n$

Then  $A \leq B$  or  $\lim a_n \leq \lim b_n$ .

Proof # Let  $c_n = b_n - a_n \quad \forall n$

Then  $c_n \geq 0 \quad \forall n \quad \therefore b_n \geq a_n \quad \forall n$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c_n \geq 0 \quad \forall$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (b_n - a_n) \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow B - A \geq 0$$

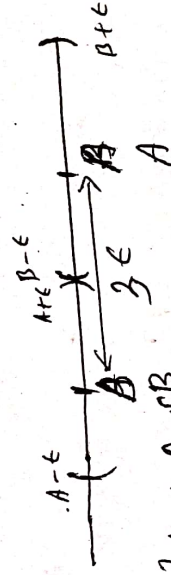
$$\Rightarrow A \leq B \quad \text{proved}$$

Q# Let a be a constant then  
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on Contrary let OR  $A > B$  and.

$$A - B = 3\epsilon$$

So that nbhds



$$\exists B - \epsilon, B + \epsilon \cap \exists A - \epsilon, A + \epsilon \cap B$$

of B and A are disjoint

$$\therefore a_n \rightarrow A \neq b_m \rightarrow B$$

$\therefore \exists$  natural no  $m_1$  &  $m_2$  such that

$$A - \epsilon < a_n < A + \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m_1$$

$$B - \epsilon < b_n < B + \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m_2$$

Let  $m = \max(m_1, m_2)$

$$\text{Then } a_n \in ]A - \epsilon, A + \epsilon[ \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$b_n \in ]B - \epsilon, B + \epsilon[ \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$\Rightarrow b_n < a_n \quad \forall n \geq m$$

which Contradicts the fact that

$$a_n \leq b_n \quad \forall n$$

Hence our supposition is wrong and.

$$A \leq B \quad \text{if } a_n \leq b_n \quad \forall n \quad \& \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = A, \text{ then } A \leq B.$$

Corollary If  $a_n \leq b_n \quad \forall n$  then  $b_n \geq 0 \quad \forall n$ .

$$\text{Let } b_n = k - a_n. \text{ Then } b_n \geq 0 \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n \geq 0 \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (k - a_n) \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow k - A \geq 0 \Rightarrow k \geq A.$$

Theorem# If  $\{a_n\}$  be sequence such that

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$$a \leq a_n \leq b \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

Then

$$a \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \leq b$$

Proof#

Consider sequence  $\{b, b, b, \dots\} = \{c_n\}$

Then  $a_n \leq c_n \quad \forall n$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c_n$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \leq b \longrightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

Consider sequence  $\{c_n\} = \{a, a, a, \dots\}$

Then  $c_n \leq a_n \quad \forall n$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c_n \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$$

$$a \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \longrightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

By  $\textcircled{1}$  &  $\textcircled{2}$

$$a \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \leq b$$

Theorem# (Squeeze Theorem, Sandwich.  
(old squeeze play) Theorem) Trapped sequences

Let  $\{a_n\}, \{b_n\}, \{c_n\}$  be the sequences

such that

$$a_n \leq b_n \leq c_n \quad \forall n$$

$$(1) \text{ and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c_n = l$$

$$\text{Then } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = l$$

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(ii) For some integer  $p$ ,

$$a_n \leq b_n \leq c_n \quad \forall n \geq p$$

, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = l$$

Proof #

Let  $\epsilon > 0$  be given.

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c_n = l$$

$\therefore$   $\exists$  even integers  $m_1$  &  $m_2$  such that

$$|a_n - l| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m_1$$

$$|c_n - l| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m_2$$

Let  $m = \max(m_1, m_2)$ . Then.

$$|a_n - l| < \epsilon$$

$$|c_n - l| < \epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow l - \epsilon < a_n < l + \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$l - \epsilon < c_n < l + \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m$$

Thus

$$l - \epsilon < a_n \leq b_n \leq c_n < l + \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$\Rightarrow l - \epsilon < b_n < l + \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$\Rightarrow |b_n - l| < \epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = l$$

When

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Then we take  $m = \max(m_1, m_2, p)$   
So that

$$a_n \leq b_n \leq c_n \quad \forall n \geq p$$

$$|a_n - l| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq p$$

$$|c_n - l| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$\& \quad a_n \leq b_n \leq c_n \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$\Rightarrow l - \epsilon < a_n \leq b_n \leq c_n < l + \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$\Rightarrow |b_n - l| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = l$$

### Applications

Q1 #  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{\sin n}{n} \right) = 0$

We can not apply  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{a_n}{b_n} \right) = A/B$   
because sequence  $\{n\}$  is not convergent  
However, we have

$$-1 \leq \sin n \leq 1 \quad \forall n$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{1}{n} \leq \frac{\sin n}{n} \leq \frac{1}{n} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( -\frac{1}{n} \right) = 0$$

$\therefore$  By Squeeze theorem.

Q# Let  $a = \frac{64}{1}$ .

Q# Find  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a^{1/n}$ , where  $a$  is a fixed real number.

Sol# Case I# of  $a \geq 1$ , then

$$\text{Let } b_n = a^{1/n} - 1 \quad a^{1/n} \geq 1$$

$$a^{1/n} = b_n + 1 \quad \text{where } b_n \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a = (1 + b_n)^n \geq 1 + n b_n \quad \text{Bernoulli's inequality.}$$

$$\Rightarrow a - 1 \geq n b_n$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 \leq b_n \leq \frac{a-1}{n}$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a-1}{n} = (a-1) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0$$

$\therefore$  By squeeze play

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a^{1/n} - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a^{1/n} = 1$$

Case# 2#  $0 < a < 1$ , then  $1/a > 1$   
and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a^{1/n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(1/a)^{1/n}} = \frac{1}{1} = 1$

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$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sin n}{n} = 0$$

Q# (a)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\cos n}{n} = 0$

Sol

$$\because -1 \leq \cos n \leq 1$$
$$\therefore -\frac{1}{n} \leq \frac{\cos n}{n} \leq \frac{1}{n}$$

$\Rightarrow$  By squeeze play

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\cos n}{n} = 0$$

or  $0 \leq \left| \frac{\cos n}{n} \right| \leq \frac{1}{n}$

$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{\cos n}{n} \right| = 0$  by squeeze play

and hence  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\cos n}{n} = 0$

(b)  $(-1)^n \frac{1}{n} \rightarrow 0$

$$\therefore 0 \leq \left| (-1)^n \frac{1}{n} \right| \leq \frac{1}{n}$$

$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (-1)^n \frac{1}{n} = 0$  by squeeze play

(c)  $\frac{\cos^2 n}{3^n} \rightarrow 0$  because

$$0 \leq \frac{\cos^2 n}{3^n} < \frac{1}{3^n}$$

$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\cos^2 n}{3^n} = 0$  by squeeze play

Q#

Prove that  $a^n \rightarrow 0$  if  $0 < a < 1$ . Then.

(a)

$$a^n \rightarrow 0 \text{ if } 0 < a < 1.$$

(b)

$$a^n \rightarrow \infty \text{ if } a > 1$$

Sol#

$$\therefore 0 < a < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{a} > 1$$

$$\text{Let } \frac{1}{a} = 1 + p \quad p > 0$$

$$\frac{1}{a^n} = (1 + p)^n = 1 + np + (\text{+ve terms}) > np$$

$$\frac{1}{a^n} > np$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 < a^n < \frac{1}{np} = \frac{1}{p} \cdot \frac{1}{n}.$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{pn} = 0$$

$\therefore$  By Squeeze play

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a^n = 0$$

(b) If  $a > 1$ , then

$$a \geq 1 + b \quad \text{where } b > 0$$

$$a^n = (1 + b)^n = 1 + nb + (\text{+ve terms}) > 1 + nb \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty}$$

$$\Rightarrow a^n \rightarrow \infty \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

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Ratio Test For Convergence

For certain types of sequences, the following result provide quick & easy ratio test for convergence.

Theorem # of  $\{a_n\}$  be a sequence

such that  $a_n \neq 0$ , be a sequence of the terms and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = l \quad \text{where } l < 1$$

, then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$

Proof #

$$\therefore a_n \geq 0 \quad \& \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow l \geq 0$$

Let  $l$  be a number such that

$$l < l < 1 \quad \text{and let } \epsilon = l - l > 0$$

Then  $\exists$  a natural no  $m$  such that

$$\left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} - l \right| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} < l + \epsilon = l + l - l = l \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{n+1} < l a_n \quad \rightarrow \textcircled{A} \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$\text{putting } n = m, m+1, m+2, \dots \quad n-1$$

$$\text{we } a_{m+1} < l a_m \quad \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$a_{m+2} < l a_{m+1} \quad \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

$m$   
 $n-m$

$$a_{m+3} < \sum a_{m+2}$$

$$a_{n-1} < \sum a_{n-2}$$

$$a_n < \sum a_{n-1}$$

Xing all above inequalities we get

$$a_{m+1} a_{m+2} a_{m+3} \dots a_{n-1} a_n$$

$$\leq \sum_{n-m} a_m a_{m+1} a_{m+2} \dots a_{n-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n < a_m \sum_{n-m}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a_n}{a_m} < \sum_{n-m}$$

$$a_n < \frac{a_m \sum_{n-m}}{\sum_{n-m}} \rightarrow \textcircled{B} \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$\text{But } 0 < \sum_{n-m} < 1 \quad \therefore \sum_{n-m} \rightarrow 0$$

$$\text{Hence } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$$

$$\therefore \sum_{n-m} \rightarrow 0 \quad \therefore \text{Given } \epsilon > 0 \quad \exists$$

a natural no  $p$  such that

$$|\sum_{n-m} - 0| < \frac{\epsilon}{a_m}$$

$$\forall n \geq p \rightarrow \textcircled{B}$$





Let  $m_1 \geq \max(m, p)$ , then  $\textcircled{A}$  &  $\textcircled{B}$  both holds for  $n \geq m_1$  and

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} m, m+1, \\ \dots, n-1 \\ a_n \geq m+(n-1) \\ n-1 \geq m+n-1 \\ n-m \geq n \end{array} \right.$$

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$$\begin{array}{ccc} m \in A & \textcircled{1} \leftarrow & \\ m \in A \textcircled{2} & \leftarrow & \\ \frac{m \in \mathcal{Z}}{m \in \mathcal{Z}} & & \\ \frac{m \in \mathcal{Z}}{m \in \mathcal{Z}} & & \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dm}{dm} \leq \frac{dm}{dm} \times \frac{dm}{dm} = c$$

$$|d_n - o/2| \in \mathbb{N} \wedge n \geq m$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$$



From

$$a_{n+1} < \sum a_n.$$

built up  
n-1, n-2, ...

$$a_n < \sum a_{n-1}$$

$$a_{n-1} < \sum a_n - x$$

$$a_{n-2} < 2a_{n-3}$$

$$a_{n-3} \leq 2a_{n-4}$$

$$-am-1 \quad -L \quad am-2$$

$$a_m \leq a_{m-1} \quad \text{for } m = m-1$$

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Xing all above equations

Theorem #

If  $\{a_n\}$  be a sequence such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = l > 1$ , then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \infty$$

Proof #

$\therefore l > 1 \quad \therefore l-1 > 0$   
we can choose a +ve number  $\epsilon$  such that

$$0 < \epsilon < l-1 \quad \text{or } l-\epsilon > 1$$

$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = l \quad \therefore \exists$  a even integer  $m$  such that

$$\left| \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} - l \right| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$\Rightarrow l - \epsilon < \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} < l + \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} > l - \epsilon = l \rightarrow \textcircled{A} \quad \forall n \geq m$$

putting  $n = m, m+1, \dots, n-1$  in  $\textcircled{A}$

$$a_{m+1} > l a_m$$

$$a_{m+2} > l a_{m+1}$$

$$a_{m+3} > l a_{m+2}$$

$$\vdots$$

$$a_{n-2} > l a_{n-3}$$

$$a_{n-1} > l a_{n-2}$$

$$a_n > l a_{n-1}$$

Ex  
Multiplying all above inequalities

$$a_{m+1} a_{m+2} a_{m+3} \dots a_{n-2} a_{n-1} a_n$$

$$> \sum_{n=m}^{n-m} a_m a_{m+1} a_{m+2} \dots a_{n-3} a_{n-2} \cdot a_{n-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n > \sum_{n=m}^{n-m} a_m$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n > \frac{a_m}{\sum_{n=m}^n} \sum_{n=m}^n \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$\Rightarrow |a_n| > \frac{|a_m|}{\sum_{n=m}^n} \sum_{n=m}^n \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$\therefore \sum_{n=m}^n < 1 \quad \therefore \sum_{n=m}^n \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \infty$$

Q# prove that for any real  $n \neq \frac{m}{n_1}$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^n}{n_1} = 0$$

Sol let  $a_n = \frac{x^n}{n_1}$

$$\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \frac{x^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \cdot \frac{n!}{x^n} = \frac{x}{n+1}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x}{n+1} = 0 < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$$

Q: Apply the above  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty}$  theorem, where  $a, b$  satisfy  $0 < a < 1, b > 1$

Sol #

(a)

$$\{a^n\}$$

(c)

$$\{n/b^n\}$$

(b)  $\{ \frac{b^n}{2^n} \}$

(d)  $\{ \frac{2^{3n}}{3^{2n}} \}$

$$a_n = a^n$$

$$a_{n+1} = a^{n+1}$$

$$\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \frac{a^{n+1}}{a^n} = a < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a^n = 0$$

(b)

Let  $a_n = \frac{b^n}{2^n}$

$$a_{n+1} = \frac{b^{n+1}}{2^{n+1}}$$

$$\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \frac{b^{n+1}}{2^{n+1}} \times \frac{2^n}{b^n} = \frac{b}{2}$$

Q# Discuss the Convergence of following sequences where  $a, b$  are such that  $0 < a < 1, b > 1$

(a)  $\{n^2 a^n\}$

(b)

$$\{b^n/n^2\}$$

(c)  $\{ \frac{b^n}{n!} \}$

(d)

$$\frac{n!}{n^n}$$

Sol (a) Let

$$a_n = n^2 a^n$$

$$a_{n+1} = (n+1)^2 a^{n+1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} &= \frac{(n+1)^2 a^{n+1}}{n^2 a^n} = \left( \frac{n+1}{n} \right)^2 a \\ &= \left( 1 + \frac{1}{n} \right)^2 a \end{aligned}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 + \frac{1}{n})^2 a_n$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$$

$$(b) \text{ let } a_n = \frac{b^n}{n^2}$$

$$a_{n+1} = \frac{b^{n+1}}{(n+1)^2}$$

$$\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \frac{b^{n+1}}{(n+1)^2} \times \frac{n^2}{b^n} = \frac{n^2}{(n+1)^2} b$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(1 + \frac{1}{n})^2} b$$

$$= \frac{1}{b} > 1$$

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  is divergent

$$a_{n+1} = \frac{n+1}{b^{n+1}}$$

(c) let  $a_n = \frac{n^n}{b^n} \times \frac{1}{b} (1 + \frac{1}{n})$

$$\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \frac{n+1}{b^{n+1}} \times \frac{1}{b} (1 + \frac{1}{n}) = \frac{1}{b} < 1$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{b} (1 + \frac{1}{n}) = \frac{1}{b} < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$$

let  $a_n = \frac{n!}{n^n}$

(d)

$$a_{n+1} = \frac{(n+1)!}{(n+1)^{n+1}}$$

$$\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \frac{(n+1)!}{(n+1)^{n+1}} \times \frac{n^n}{n!} = \frac{n^n}{(n+1)^n}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{1}{n+1} \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{1}{n} \right)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{1}{n+1} \right)^n = \frac{1}{e} < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$$

## Monotone Sequences

or Non-monotone.

(a) Monotone Increasing is called if

A sequence  $\{a_n\}$  is increasing if

(moving in one direction)  $a_n \leq a_{n+1}$

and is called strictly increasing if

$$a_n < a_{n+1}$$

$$a_n < a_{n+1}$$

Increasing Sequence

(b) Monotone Decreasing or Non-Increasing Sequence

A sequence  $\{a_n\}$  is called

or monotone decreasing if

$$a_n \geq a_{n+1}$$

$$a_n \geq a_{n+1}$$

and is called strictly decreasing if

$$a_n > a_{n+1} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

### Z3 (c) # Monotonic Sequence #

A sequence  $\{a_n\}$  is said to be monotonic if it is either monotonically increasing or monotonically decreasing

### (d) Strictly Monotonic Sequence

A sequence is said to be strictly monotonic if it is either strictly monotonically increasing or strictly monotonically decreasing

### Testing of Monotonicity of a Sequence

There are several methods of testing whether a sequence  $\{a_n\}$  is monotonic or not

### (a) Difference b/w Successive Terms #

#### Difference

$$a_{n+1} - a_n > 0$$

$$a_{n+1} - a_n < 0$$

$$a_{n+1} - a_n \geq 0$$

$$a_{n+1} - a_n \leq 0$$

#### classification

strictly increasing

" " decreasing

Non-decreasing

Non-increasing

(b) By Ratio of Successive Terms

$$\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} > 1$$

Classification  
increasing

$$\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} < 1$$

Decreasing

$$\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \geq 1$$

Non-decreasing

$$\frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} \leq 1$$

Non-increasing

(c) If  $f(n) > f(n)$  and  $f$  is differentiable then.

Derivative

$$f'(n) > 0$$

increasing

$$f'(n) < 0$$

decreasing

$$f'(n) \geq 0$$

Non-decreasing

$$f'(n) \leq 0$$

Non-increasing

(d) Induction Use induction on  $n$ .

Remarks # If  $\{a_n\}$  is increasing, then it is bounded below by  $a_1$  and will be bounded if it is bounded above. If  $\{a_n\}$  is decreasing, it is bounded above by  $a_1$  and will be bounded if

it is bounded below.

(2) Monotonicity is very useful because it prevents the terms of a sequence from oscillating.

## Eventually Monotone or Ultimately Monotone

### Sequence.

A sequence is eventually or ultimately monotone if  $\exists$  an integer  $n$  such that the sequence is monotone for all  $m \geq n$ . i.e. sequence is monotone from some term onward.

## The Completeness Property of $\mathbb{R}$

Every non-empty set of real numbers that has an upper bound (is bounded above) also has a Supremum in  $\mathbb{R}$ . It is also called the least upper bound property of  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Theorem # A monotone sequence of real nos. is convergent iff it is bounded. Further.

a) If  $\{a_n\}$  is bounded monotone increasing sequence, then it converges to its Supremum i.e.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \sup \{a_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\} = \sup a_n$$

(b) If  $\{a_n\}$  is monotone bounded below, then it converges to its infimum i.e.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \inf \{a_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\} \\ = \inf a_n$$

Proof

Necessary Condition #

Let  $\{a_n\}$  be monotone Convergent sequence. Then we have already proved that every cgt sequence is bound

Converse

Conversely let  $\{a_n\}$  a bounded monotone sequence. Then  $\exists$  nos  $m \neq M$  such that

$$m \leq a_n \leq M \quad \forall n.$$

Then  $\{a_n\}$  is either increasing or decreasing  
(a) Let  $\{a_n\}$  be bounded increasing sequence.

Then the range set  $S = \{a_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is bounded above and by least upper bound axiom of  $\mathbb{R}$   $S$  has l.u.b exists in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Let  $L = \sup \{a_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$

Given any  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $L - \epsilon$  is not an upper bound of  $\{a_n\}$  and there is at least one term  $a_m$  of  $\{a_n\}$  greater than  $L - \epsilon$  i.e.

$$L - \epsilon < a_m \quad \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

otherwise  $L - \epsilon$  will be an upper bound.

Since  $\{a_n\}$  is monotonically increasing sequence

$$a_m \leq a_{m+1} \leq a_{m+2} \leq \dots \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

$$L - \epsilon < a_n \quad \forall n \geq m \rightarrow \textcircled{3}$$

Also  $L$  is least upper bound of sequence

$$\therefore a_n \leq L \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow \forall n \geq m$$

$$\Rightarrow L - a_n \geq 0 \quad \forall n \rightarrow \textcircled{4}$$

From  $\textcircled{3}$  &  $\textcircled{4}$

$$0 \leq L - a_n < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$\Rightarrow |L - a_n| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L$$

OR

Since  $L$  is supremum, therefore

$$a_n \leq L < L + \epsilon \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n < L + \epsilon$$

$$\textcircled{5} \leftarrow \forall n \geq m$$

By  $\textcircled{3}$  &  $\textcircled{5}$

$$L - \epsilon < a_n < L + \epsilon$$

$$\forall n \geq m$$

$$\Rightarrow |a_n - L| < \epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L$$

(b) Suppose the sequence  $\{a_n\}$  is bounded monotonically decreasing sequence.

$$M \geq a_1 \geq a_2 \geq a_3 \geq a_4 \geq \dots \geq m$$

Let  $L_1$  be the g.l.b. of  $S = \{a_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$

Given any  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $L_1 + \epsilon > L_1$  and so

$L_1 + \epsilon$  is not a lower bound of  $\{a_n\}$

$\Rightarrow \exists$  an integer  $m$  such that

$$a_n \leq a_m < L_1 + \epsilon \quad \forall n \leq m$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n < L_1 + \epsilon \quad \forall n \leq m$$

Also  $L_1$  is g.l.b. of  $\{a_n\}$

$$a_n \geq L_1 > L_1 - \epsilon \quad \forall n \leq m$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n > L_1 - \epsilon \quad \forall n \leq m$$

By ③ & ④ we have

$$|a_n - L_1| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \leq m$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = L_1$$

or

$$L_1 \leq a_n \quad \forall n$$

$$-0 \leq a_n - L_1 \rightarrow 0 \quad \forall n$$

$$\text{by ③ \& ⑤} \quad |a_n - L_1| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m$$

Remarks # <sup>29</sup> The monotonic convergence theorem establishes the convergence of sequence without knowing the limit in advance. It also gives us a way of calculating the limit by evaluating supremum and infimum. Sometimes the supremum and infimum can not found easily but once we know that it exists, it is often possible to evaluate the limit by other methods.

Sequences defined inductively must be treated differently. If such a sequence is known to converge, then value of the limit can sometimes be determined by inductive relation.

### Applications #

Q # 1 # prove that the sequence defined

by  $a_n = (1 - \frac{1}{2^2})(1 - \frac{1}{3^2})(1 - \frac{1}{4^2}) \dots (1 - \frac{1}{n^2})$  is cgt

Sol clearly  $a_n > 0$

$$a_{n+1} = (1 - \frac{1}{2^2})(1 - \frac{1}{3^2}) \dots (1 - \frac{1}{n^2})(1 - \frac{1}{(n+1)^2})$$

$$= a_n \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} \right] < a_n$$

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  is decreasing and bounded below

It converges to l.u.b which is  $\leq 3$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \leq 3$$

$$\therefore a_n = 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} + \frac{1}{4!} + \dots + \frac{1}{n!}$$

$$\geq 2$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \geq 2$$

$$\text{Hence } 2 \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \leq 3$$

Q # 3

prove that the sequence with general term

$$a_n = 2 + 1 + \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} + \dots + \frac{1}{n!}$$

Converges

Sol #  $a_n = 2 + 1 + \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} + \dots + \frac{1}{n!}$

$$a_{n+1} = 2 + 1 + \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} + \dots + \frac{1}{n!} + \frac{1}{(n+1)!}$$

$$= a_n + \frac{1}{(n+1)!} > a_n$$

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  is monotone increasing

using  $\frac{1}{n!} < \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}$

$$a_n = 2 + 1 + \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} + \dots + \frac{1}{n!} + \frac{1}{(n+1)!}$$

$$< 2 + 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}$$

Q. 2 # Show that <sup>826</sup>the sequence  $\{a_n\}$ , where  
 $a_n = 1 + \frac{1}{1!} + \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} + \dots + \frac{1}{n!}$   
 Converges. Also  $2 \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \leq 3$

Sol  $a_{n+1} = 1 + \frac{1}{1!} + \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} + \dots + \frac{1}{n!} + \frac{1}{(n+1)!}$

$$= a_n + \frac{1}{(n+1)!} > a_n \quad \forall n$$

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  is monotone increasing. We show  
 that  $\{a_n\}$  is bounded.

$$n! = 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot \dots \cdot n > 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot \dots \cdot 2 \\ = 2^{n-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{n!} < \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}$$

Using this we have.

$$a_n = 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{24} + \dots + \frac{1}{n!}$$

$$< 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{2^3} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}$$

$$= 1 + \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{2^3} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}\right)$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} = 1 + 2 \left[1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n\right]$$

$$< 3 \quad \forall n$$

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  increases and is bounded above.  
 by 3. So  $\{a_n\}$  Converges

$\{a_n\}$  is increasing and bounded

$$\leq 2 + 1 + \frac{1 - \left(1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n\right)}{1 - \frac{1}{2}}$$

$$= 3 + 2 \left[ 1 - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n \right] < 4.$$

Hence  $\{a_n\}$  is bounded monotone sequence and so converges.

Q#4 prove that the sequence  $\{a_n\}$  defined by

$$a_n = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{n}$$

is dgt

$$\text{Sol } a_{n+1} = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \dots + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{n+1}$$

$$= a_n + \frac{1}{n+1} > a_n$$

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  is increasing sequence.

$$a_1 = 1$$

$$a_2 = 1 + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= a_1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} > \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4}\right) > \frac{1}{2} + a_2$$

$$a_3 = a_2 + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{8} > \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{8} > \frac{1}{2} + a_3$$

$$a_4 > 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}$$

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$$a_n = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^n}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{8}\right) + \dots + \frac{1}{2^n}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{7} + \frac{1}{8}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{9} + \frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{11} + \frac{1}{12} + \frac{1}{13} + \frac{1}{14} + \frac{1}{15} + \frac{1}{16}\right) + \dots + \frac{1}{2^n}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \left(\frac{1}{2^{n-1}} + \frac{1}{2^2}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2^{n-1}} + \frac{1}{2^3} + \frac{1}{2^4} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}\right) + \frac{1}{2^n}$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2^{n-1}} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{2^3} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}\right) + \frac{1}{2^n}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \left(\frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{2^2}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2^3} + \frac{1}{2^3} + \frac{1}{2^3}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2^4} + \frac{1}{2^4} + \frac{1}{2^4} + \frac{1}{2^4}\right) + \dots + \left(\frac{1}{2^n} + \frac{1}{2^n} + \frac{1}{2^n} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^n}\right)$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \dots + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{n}{2}$$

$$a_n > 1 + \frac{n}{2}$$

Sequence  $a_n$  is unbounded and hence divergent.

Q: 5 # prove that the sequence.

$$x_1 = \frac{x_0}{a+x_0}, x_2 = \frac{x_1}{a+x_1}, \dots, x_n = \frac{x_{n-1}}{a+x_{n-1}}$$

Sol  $a > 1, x_0 > 0$  Converges

$$x_n = \frac{x_{n-1}}{a+x_{n-1}} < x_{n-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow x_n < x_{n-1}$$

$\Rightarrow$  Sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is decreasing

Indly since  $a > 1, x_0 > 0$ , Therefore all of the terms are +ve which means that sequence is bounded below. Thus the sequence is monotone and bounded. Hence it is cgt.

Q: 6 prove that the sequence with general term

$$a_n = \frac{1}{5^{+1}} + \frac{1}{5^{2+1}} + \frac{1}{5^{3+1}} + \dots + \frac{1}{5^{n+1}}$$

ie.

$$a_1 = \frac{1}{5^{+1}}, a_2 = \frac{1}{5^{+1}} + \frac{1}{5^{2+1}}$$

$$a_3 = \frac{1}{5^{+1}} + \frac{1}{5^{2+1}} + \frac{1}{5^{3+1}} \text{ is cgt}$$

Sol

$$a_{n+1} = \frac{1}{5^{n+1}} + \frac{1}{5^{2n+1}} + \dots + \frac{1}{5^{n+1}} + \frac{1}{5^{n+1}} \cdot \frac{1}{5^{n+1}}$$

$$= a_n + \frac{1}{5^{n+1}}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{n+1} > a_n$$

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  is increasing

Also since  $\frac{1}{5^{n+1}} < \frac{1}{5^n} \quad \forall n$

We have.

$$a_n = \frac{1}{5^{n+1}} + \frac{1}{5^{2n+1}} + \frac{1}{5^{3n+1}} + \dots + \frac{1}{5^{n+1}}$$
$$< \frac{1}{5} + \frac{1}{5^2} + \frac{1}{5^3} + \dots + \frac{1}{5^n}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{5^{n+1}}}{1 - \frac{1}{5}} = \frac{5}{4} \left[ \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{5^{n+1}} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{5^n} \right] < \frac{1}{4} \quad \forall n$$

Hence the sequence is convergent.

Q#7\* prove that the sequence  $\frac{1}{n+1} + \frac{1}{n+2} + \dots + \frac{1}{2n}$

$a_n = \frac{1}{n+1} + \frac{1}{n+2} + \dots + \frac{1}{2n}$  is convergent and its limit lies between

$\frac{1}{2}$  and  $1$

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$$a_n = \frac{1}{n+1} + \frac{1}{n+2} + \dots + \frac{1}{2n}.$$

$$a_{n+1} = \frac{1}{n+2} + \frac{1}{n+3} + \dots + \frac{1}{2n} + \frac{1}{2n+1} + \frac{1}{2n+2}.$$

$$a_{n+1} - a_n = \frac{1}{2n+2} + \frac{1}{2n+1} - \frac{1}{n+1}$$

$$> \frac{1}{2n+2} + \frac{1}{2n+2} - \frac{1}{n+1}$$

$$= \frac{2}{2n+2} - \frac{1}{n+1} = 0$$

$$a_{n+1} > a_n$$

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  is monotonically increasing

Also

$$a_n = \frac{1}{n+1} + \frac{1}{n+2} + \frac{1}{n+3} + \dots + \frac{1}{2n}.$$

$$< \frac{1}{n+1} + \frac{1}{n+1} + \frac{1}{n+1} + \dots + \frac{1}{n+1}$$

$$= \frac{n}{n+1} < 1 \quad \forall n$$

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  is bounded above by 1

$$a_n = \frac{1}{n+1} + \frac{1}{n+2} + \frac{1}{n+3} + \dots + \frac{1}{n+n}.$$

$$> \frac{1}{2n} + \frac{1}{2n} + \dots + \frac{1}{2n} = \frac{n}{2n} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$a_n > \frac{1}{2}.$$

Thus

$$\frac{1}{2} < a_n < 1 \quad \forall n$$

Hence

$$\frac{1}{2} \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \leq 1$$

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Let  $x_n = \frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \dots + \frac{1}{n^2}$   
 $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Prove that  $\{x_n\}$  is increasing  
and bounded and hence converges.

Sol we note that

$$\frac{1}{k^2} < \frac{1}{k(k-1)} = \frac{1}{k-1} - \frac{1}{k} \quad \forall k \geq 2 \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

we will use this fact

$$x_n = \frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \dots + \frac{1}{n^2}$$

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \dots + \frac{1}{n^2} + \frac{1}{(n+1)^2}$$

$$= x_n + \frac{1}{(n+1)^2} > x_n \quad \forall n$$

$\Rightarrow \{x_n\}$  is increasing

Also by using  $\textcircled{1}$

$$x_n = \frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{3^2} + \dots + \frac{1}{n^2}$$

$$< \frac{1}{1^2} + \left(\frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{1^2} + \frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{n} = 2 - \frac{1}{n} < n \quad \forall n$$

$\Rightarrow \{x_n\}$  is bounded and cgt

### Calculation of $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$

Q#(9) # (a) A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is defined by

$$x_1 = 2, \quad x_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \left( x_n + \frac{9}{x_n} \right)$$

Prove that  $\{x_n\}$  converges.

(b) # Let  $a > 0$ , we have a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  which converges to  $\sqrt{a}$ .

Let  $\delta_1 > 0$  be an arbitrary number.

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \left( x_n + \frac{9}{x_n} \right)$$

prove that  $\{x_n\}$  converges.

Note It is general case of

Sol # (a)  $a_1 = 2$ .

$$a_2 = \frac{1}{2} \left( 2 + \frac{9}{2} \right)$$

$$a_3 = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{17}{2} + \frac{9}{17/2} \right)$$

$$a_4 = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{179}{17} + \frac{9}{179/17} \right)$$

Casual reader may observe that  $\{a_n\}$  is decreasing.

OR

$\Rightarrow \{x_n\}$  is bounded and increasing. hence  $\{x_n\}$  is cgt

### Calculation of square root

Q # (9) # (a) A sequence  $\{a_n\}$  is defined by

$$a_1 = 2, \quad a_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \left( a_n + \frac{2}{a_n} \right)$$

prove that  $\{a_n\}$  converges and find its limit

R.S.B. (b) # Let  $a > 0$ , we construct a sequence which converges to  $\sqrt{a}$

Let  $\delta_1 > 0$  be an arbitrary and

$$s_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \left( s_n + \frac{a}{s_n} \right) \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

prove that  $\{s_n\}$  converges and find its limit.

Note It is general case of (a)

Sol # (a)  $a_1 = 2$ .

$$a_2 = \frac{1}{2} \left( 2 + \frac{2}{2} \right) = \frac{3}{2} = 1.5$$

$$a_3 = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{3}{2} + \frac{2}{\frac{3}{2}} \right) = 1.4167$$

$$a_4 = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{17}{12} + \frac{2}{\frac{17}{12}} \right) = \frac{577}{408} \approx 1.4142$$

Casual reader may deduce that  $\{a_n\}$  is decreasing.

OR

$$a_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \left( a_n + \frac{2}{a_n} \right)$$

$$a_n \geq \frac{1}{2} \left( a_{n-1} + \frac{2}{a_{n-1}} \right)$$

$$a_n^2 \geq \frac{1}{4} \left[ a_{n-1} + \frac{2}{a_{n-1}} \right]^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \left[ \left( a_{n-1} - \frac{2}{a_{n-1}} \right)^2 + 8 \right]$$

$$\geq \frac{1}{4} \left( a_{n-1} - \frac{2}{a_{n-1}} \right)^2 + 2 \geq 2 \quad \forall n \geq 2$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n^2 \geq 2$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n \geq \frac{\sqrt{2}}{a_n} \quad \forall n \geq 2$$

$$a_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \left( a_n + \frac{2}{a_n} \right) \leq \frac{1}{2} (a_n + a_n) = a_n$$

$$a_{n+1} \leq a_n \quad \forall n \geq 2$$

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  is ultimately decreasing.

OR.

$$\text{By } a_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \left( a_n + \frac{2}{a_n} \right)$$

$$2a_{n+1}a_n = a_n^2 + 2$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n^2 - (2a_{n+1})a_n + 2 = 0$$

$\Rightarrow a_n$  satisfies the quadratic equation.  
 $\therefore a_1 = 2 \quad \therefore$  This quadratic equation has

has a real root.

Disc of it must be non-negative.

$$\Rightarrow 4a_{n+1}^2 - 4(2) \geq 0 \quad \forall n \geq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{n+1}^2 - 2 \geq 0 \quad \forall n \geq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{n+1}^2 \geq 2 \quad \forall n \geq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n^2 \geq 2 \quad \forall n \geq 2$$

Now

$$a_n - a_{n+1} = a_n - \frac{1}{2} \left( a_n + \frac{2}{a_n} \right)$$

$$= a_n - \frac{1}{2} \left( a_n^2 + \frac{2}{a_n} \right)$$

$$= \frac{2a_n^2 - a_n^2 - 2}{2a_n} \quad \forall n \geq 2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \frac{(a_n^2 - 2)}{a_n} \geq 0 \quad \because a_n^2 \geq 2$$

$$a_n \geq 0 \quad \forall n$$

$\Rightarrow a_{n+1} \leq a_n \quad \forall n \geq 2$  and is bounded.

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  is decreasing  
below by 0 exists

$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = l$

let  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = l$

.....  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$  is a the limit of  $a_n = 2n - 1 = 0$

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$$\begin{aligned} \therefore a_n &> 0 \\ \therefore l &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n + \frac{2}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n} \right)$$

$$l = \frac{1}{2} \left( l + \frac{2}{l} \right) = \frac{l}{2} + \frac{1}{l}$$

$$2l^2 = l^2 + 2$$

$$l^2 = 2 \Rightarrow l = \pm\sqrt{2}$$

$\therefore l \geq 0$   
 $\therefore$  only possibility is  $l = \sqrt{2} \approx 1.414213$

$$(b) \quad s_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \left( s_n + \frac{a}{s_n} \right)$$

$$s_n = \frac{1}{2} \left( s_{n-1} + \frac{a}{s_{n-1}} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow s_n^2 = \frac{1}{4} \left( s_{n-1} + \frac{a}{s_{n-1}} \right)^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \left[ \left( s_{n-1} - \frac{a}{s_{n-1}} \right)^2 + 4a \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \left( s_{n-1} - \frac{a}{s_{n-1}} \right)^2 + a \geq a$$

$$\Rightarrow s_n^2 \geq a \Rightarrow \frac{a}{s_n} \leq s_n$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \therefore s_n > 0 \quad \forall n \\
 & \therefore l > 0 \\
 & s_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \left( s_n + \frac{a}{s_n} \right) \\
 & \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n + \frac{a}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n} \right) \\
 & l = \frac{1}{2} \left( l + \frac{a}{l} \right) \\
 & 2l^2 = l^2 + a \\
 & l^2 = a \\
 & l = \sqrt{a}
 \end{aligned}$$

### Note

For the purpose of calculation, it is often important to have an estimate of how rapidly the sequence  $s_n$  converges to  $\sqrt{a}$ .

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = \inf_n s_n = \sqrt{a}$$

$$\sqrt{a} \leq s_n \quad \forall n \geq 2$$

$$a \leq s_n^2 \quad \forall n \geq 2$$

$$\frac{a}{s_n} \leq s_n \quad \forall n \geq 2 \text{ or } \frac{a}{s_n} \leq \sqrt{a} \leq s_n$$

$$0 \leq s_n - \sqrt{a} \leq s_n - \frac{a}{s_n}$$

$$\therefore \frac{s_n^2 - a}{s_n} \leq \sqrt{a}$$

$$\forall n \geq 2$$

$$\frac{s_n^2 - a}{s_n}$$

$$0 \leq \frac{s_n^2 - a}{s_n}$$

Using this inequality we can calculate  $\sqrt{a}$  to any desired degree of accuracy.

Thus  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = \sqrt{a}$  is a true limit of  $x^2 - a = 0$

$$s_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \left( s_n + \frac{q}{s_n} \right) \leq \frac{1}{2} (s_n + s_n) \quad \forall n \geq 2$$

$$s_{n+1} \leq s_n \quad \forall n \geq 2$$

$\Rightarrow \{s_n\}$  is decreasing

OR

$$s_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \left( s_n + \frac{q}{s_n} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow s_n^2 - (2s_{n+1})s_n + q = 0$$

$\Rightarrow s_n$  satisfies quadratic equation &  $s_1 > 0$

$\Rightarrow$  This equation has real roots.

$$\Rightarrow \text{Disc} \geq 0$$

$$4s_{n+1}^2 - 4q \geq 0$$

$$s_{n+1}^2 \geq q \quad \forall n \geq 1$$

$$s_n^2 \geq q \quad \forall n \geq 2$$

$$s_n - s_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{s_n^2 - q}{s_n} \right) \geq 0 \quad \forall n \geq 2$$

$$\therefore s_n^2 \geq q$$

$$s_n > 0 \quad \forall n$$

$$\Rightarrow s_{n+1} \leq s_n \quad \forall n \geq 2$$

$\Rightarrow \{s_n\}$  is ultimately decreasing.

Also  $s_n \geq 0 \quad \forall n$ .

Thus  $\{s_n\}$  monotone bounded and.

hence is cgt. Let  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = l$ .

Exercise Show <sup>94</sup> that the sequence defined by  $a_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2}(a_n + \frac{2}{a_n})$   $n \geq 1, a_1 > 0$  converges to 3.

Q # 10 # <sup>G.R.B. (example)</sup> prove that the sequence defined.

by  $x_1 = 2$   $x_{n+1} = 2 + \frac{1}{x_n}$   $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

is convergent and converges to a +ve root of equation  $x^2 - 2x - 1 = 0$

Sol #  $x_{n+1} = 2 + \frac{1}{x_n} > 2 \quad \forall n \geq 1$

$\Rightarrow x_n \geq 2 \quad \forall n \geq 1$

Also

$$x_1 = 2$$

$$x_2 = 2 + \frac{1}{x_1} = 2 + \frac{1}{2} = 2\frac{1}{2} = 2.5$$

$$x_3 = 2 + \frac{1}{x_2} = 2 + \frac{2}{5} = 2\frac{2}{5} = 2.4$$

$$x_4 = 2 + \frac{1}{x_3} = 2 + \frac{5}{12} = 2\frac{29}{12}$$

$$x_5 = 2 + \frac{12}{29} = 2\frac{70}{29}$$

We note that sequence ultimately decrease.

$\Rightarrow \{x_n\}$  bounded monotone and hence

Cgt.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = l$ . Then

$$l = 2 + \frac{1}{l} \Rightarrow l^2 - 2l - 1 = 0$$

Thus  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$  is a true root of  $x^2 - 2x - 1 = 0$

and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = 1 + \sqrt{2}$

Q#11 (R.G.B) Let  $\{y_n\}$  be defined by  $y_1 = 1$   $y_{n+1} = \frac{1}{4}(2y_n + 3)$  for  $n \geq 1$

Show that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = \frac{3}{2}$   
Sol By direct calculation.

$$y_2 = \frac{5}{4}$$

Hence

$$y_1 < y_2 < 2$$

We show by induction that  $y_n < 2$  then

It is true for  $n=1, 2$

Let  $y_k < 2$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $k \geq 2$

$$\text{Then } y_{k+1} = \frac{1}{4}(2y_k + 3) < \frac{1}{4}(2 \cdot 2 + 3) = \frac{7}{4} < 2$$

$$\Rightarrow y_{k+1} < 2 \Rightarrow y_n < 2 \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

We show by induction that  $y_n < y_{n+1}$

$$\text{for } n=1 \quad y_2 = \frac{5}{4} = 1.25 > 1 = y_1$$

$$\Rightarrow y_1 < y_2$$

Let  $y_k < y_{k+1}$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{N}$

Then

$$2y_k < 2y_{k+1}$$

$$2y_k + 3 < 2y_{k+1} + 3$$

$$y_{k+1} = \frac{1}{4}(2y_k + 3) < \frac{1}{4}(2y_{k+1} + 3) = y_{k+2}$$

Thus  $\{g_n\}$  is bounded.  $\forall n \geq 2$

Also

$$\Rightarrow g_1 = 1$$

$\Rightarrow \{g_n\}$  is bounded.  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

OR

$$g_2 = \sqrt{2} < 2$$

$$g_3 = \sqrt{2g_2} < \sqrt{2 \cdot 2} = 2$$

$$g_4 = \sqrt{2g_3} < \sqrt{2 \cdot 2} = 2$$

$$g_5 = \sqrt{2g_4} < \sqrt{2 \cdot 2} = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow g_n < 2 \quad \forall n \geq 2.$$

OR

$$g_1 = 1$$

$$g_2 = \sqrt{2g_1} = \sqrt{2} = 2^{\frac{1}{2}} < 2$$

$$g_3 = \sqrt{2g_2} = \sqrt{2 \cdot 2^{\frac{1}{2}}} = 2^{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}} = 2$$

$$g_4 = \sqrt{2g_3} = \sqrt{2 \cdot 2} = 2^{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}} = 2^{\frac{3}{2}} < 2$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{2^3} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}$$

$$g_n = 2^{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{2^3} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}} < 2$$

$$g_{n+1} = 2^{\frac{1}{2^n}} > g_n$$

Also

Thus

$$\Rightarrow y_k < y_{k+1} \stackrel{26}{\Rightarrow} y_{k+1} < y_{k+2}$$

$$y_n < y_{n+1} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$\Rightarrow \{y_n\}$  is increasing and bounded above by 2

$\Rightarrow \{y_n\}$  is cgt.

$$\text{Let } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_n = l = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y_{n+1}$$

Then from

$$y_{n+1} = \frac{1}{4} (2y_n + 3)$$

$$l = \frac{1}{4} (2l + 3)$$

$$4l = 2l + 3$$

$$2l = 3 \Rightarrow l = \frac{3}{2} = 1.5$$

Q # 12 (R.G.B.) Show that the sequence.

of real numbers defined by

$$z_1 = 1 \quad z_{n+1} = \sqrt{2z_n} \text{ Converges}$$

$$\text{and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n = 2$$

$$\underline{\text{Sol}} \quad z_1 = 1 \quad z_2 = \sqrt{2} < 2$$

$$\Rightarrow z_1 < z_2 < 2 \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

for  $n = 2$ , we have

$$z_2 = \sqrt{2} < 2$$

$$\text{Let } z_k < 2 \quad \text{for } k > 2, k \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\text{Then } z_{k+1} = \sqrt{2z_k} < \sqrt{2 \cdot 2} = 2$$

Q: 12

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Show that the sequence  $\{a_n\}$  defined by  $a_1 = \sqrt{2}$   $a_{n+1} = \sqrt{2a_n}$  Converges to 2  
Sol

$$a_1 = \sqrt{2} < 2.$$

$$a_2 = \sqrt{2a_1} < \sqrt{2 \cdot 2} < 2.$$

$$a_3 = \sqrt{2a_2} < \sqrt{2 \cdot 2} < 2.$$

$$\vdots$$

$$a_n < 2 \quad \forall n.$$

Also

$$a_1 = \sqrt{2}$$

$$a_2 = \sqrt{2\sqrt{2}} > \sqrt{2} = a_1.$$

$$a_2 > a_1.$$

Let  $a_{k+1} > a_k \rightarrow$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{N}$

Then  $a_{k+2} = \sqrt{2a_{k+1}}$  &  $a_{k+1} = \sqrt{2a_k}$   
from ①

$$2a_{k+1} > 2a_k \\ \Rightarrow \sqrt{2a_{k+1}} > \sqrt{2a_k}$$

$$a_{k+2} > a_{k+1}$$

$$a_{k+1} > a_k \Rightarrow a_{k+2} > a_{k+1}$$

$\Rightarrow \{z_n\}$  is bounded and increasing.

OR  
Increasing fact can be proved by induction as

$$z_1 < z_2 \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

We are to prove that  $\forall n$ .

$$z_n < z_{n+1} \text{ from } \textcircled{1}$$

For  $n=1$  inequality is true. i.e.

Let it be true for  $n=k$ .  $\rightarrow \textcircled{2}$

$$z_k < z_{k+1} \quad \text{by } \textcircled{2}$$

$$\text{Now } z_{k+1} = \sqrt{2z_k} < \sqrt{2z_{k+1}} = z_{k+2}.$$

$$\Rightarrow z_{k+1} < z_{k+2}$$

$$\text{Thus } z_k < z_{k+1} \Rightarrow z_{k+1} < z_{k+2} \quad \forall n.$$

$\Rightarrow z_n < z_{n+1}$   $\forall n$ . sequence is bounded.

$\Rightarrow \{z_n\}$  increasing sequence.  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n = l$ .

So  $\{z_n\}$  is cgt.

$$\text{Then } z_{n+1} = \sqrt{2z_n}$$

$$\Rightarrow l = \sqrt{2l} \quad l^2 - 2l = 0$$

$$l^2 = 2l \Rightarrow l(l-2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow l = 0 \quad l = 2.$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{l = 2}$$

But  $1 \leq l \leq 2$

$$a_1 = \sqrt{2}$$

$$a_2 = \sqrt{2 + \frac{1}{2}}$$

$$a_3 = \sqrt{2 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2^2}}$$

$$= 2$$

$$= 2$$

$$a_n =$$

$$a_{n+1} =$$

$$a_{n+1} =$$

$$\{a_n\}$$

$$\text{Again, } \frac{1}{2} +$$

$$= 2$$

$$a_n < 2$$

$$\{a_n\}$$

$$\text{hence}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{2^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{2 + \frac{1}{2}} = 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} = 2$$

$$= \left( 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{8} = 2$$

$$= 2$$

$$\frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^n}$$

$$\frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{2^2} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^n} + \frac{1}{2^{n+1}}$$

$$\frac{1}{2^{n+1}} \geq a_n$$

$$a_n \leq a_{n+1}$$

$$\text{increasing}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2^n} < 2$$

$$a_n < 2$$

$$a_n < 2$$

$$a_n < 2$$

$$a_n < 2$$

$$a_n < 2$$

$$a_n < 2$$

$$a_n < 2$$

$$\frac{1}{2^n} > 1 \quad \forall n > 1$$

$$\frac{1}{2^{n+1}} > 1$$

$$\frac{1}{2^{n+1}} > 1$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n \cdot 2^{n+1} > a_n$$

$$a_{n+1} > a_n$$

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$$a_{n+1} > a_n$$

ed monotone and  
verget. Let  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = l$



$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = l$$

$$a_{n+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{n+1}^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \left( \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \right)^2$$

$$l^2$$

$$l = 0 \neq$$

$$\text{at } a_n >$$

$$l = 2$$

Show that the sequence

defined by

converges to 3

$$s_2 =$$

$$s_3 =$$

$$s_4 =$$

$$s_n =$$

$$s_1 =$$

$$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$s_1 = 3$$

$$= a_n$$

$$\Rightarrow [k =$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = l$$

$$a_{n+1}$$

$$2a_n$$

$$2 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$$

$$2l \Rightarrow$$

$$\forall n:$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$$

the sequence

$$= \sqrt{3} s_n$$

$$1$$

$$s_1 = \sqrt{3}$$

$$s_2 = \sqrt{3 \cdot 3}$$

$$s_3 = \sqrt{3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{1}{2^3}$$

$$s_n =$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2^3} + \dots +$$

$$\frac{1}{2^3} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^n}$$

$$s_1 = 3$$

$$> a_n$$

Then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{n+1} = l$

$$a_{n+1} = \sqrt{2a_n}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{n+1}^2 = 2a_n$$

$$\Rightarrow \left( \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{n+1} \right)^2 = 2 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$$

$$l^2 = 2l \Rightarrow l(l-2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow l = 0 \neq l = 2$$

But  $a_n > 0 \quad \forall n$ .

$$\Rightarrow l = 2 \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 2.$$

Q: 13 Show that the sequence  $\{s_n\}$

defined by  $s_{n+1} = \sqrt{3s_n}$   $s_1 = 1$

Converges to 3

Sol

$$s_1 = 1$$

$$s_2 = \sqrt{3s_1} = \sqrt{3} = 3^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$s_3 = \sqrt{3s_2} = \sqrt{3 \cdot 3^{\frac{1}{2}}} = 3^{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}} = 3$$

$$s_4 = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{22} + \frac{1}{23}$$

$$s_n = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{22} + \frac{1}{23} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}$$

$$\Rightarrow s_{n+1} = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{22} + \frac{1}{23} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} + \frac{1}{2^n}$$

$$= a_n \cdot 3^{\frac{1}{2^n}} > a_n \quad \forall n.$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{l=2}$$

Sol #

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 $x_1 = \sqrt{2+1}$

Suppo

$$x_k < x_{k+1}$$

$$x_k < \sqrt{2+x_k}$$

$$x_k < \sqrt{2+x_k}$$

$$x_{k+1} < x_{k+2}$$

induction.

others

Now

$$x_1 < x_2$$

$$x_1 < \sqrt{2+x_1}$$

$$x_2 < \sqrt{2+x_2}$$

$$x_3 < \sqrt{2+x_3}$$

$$x_4 < \sqrt{2+x_4}$$

By  
 Let  
 then

$$x_1 < x_2$$

$$x_2 < \sqrt{2+x_2}$$

$$x_3 < \sqrt{2+x_3}$$

$$x_4 < \sqrt{2+x_4}$$

$$x_5 < \sqrt{2+x_5}$$



Also  $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} < 3$

$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = 3$

$\therefore \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} < 3$

$\Rightarrow S_n < 3 \quad \forall n$  and converges

Hence  $\{S_n\}$  is bounded  $\forall n$

Let  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = l$   $\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n > 1$

$S_{n+1} = \sqrt{3 S_n}$

$S_{n+1}^2 = 3 S_n$

$\Rightarrow (\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_{n+1})^2 = 3 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n$

$l^2 = 3l \Rightarrow l(l-3) = 0$

$\Rightarrow l = 0 \text{ or } l = 3 \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = 3$

$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n > 1 \Rightarrow$

Q# 14 If  $S_{n+1} = \sqrt{7 S_n}$   $S_1 = 1$ , prove that  $\{S_n\}$  is convergent. What is its limit. try yourself.

Thus  $\{x_n\}$  <sup>104</sup> bounded monotone sequence.  
and

$$\Rightarrow 1 \leq a_n < 2.$$

$$1 \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \leq 2$$

Let

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = l.$$

$$x_n \geq \sqrt{2+x_{n-1}} \Rightarrow x_n^2 \geq 2+x_{n-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow (\lim x_n)^2 \geq 2 + \lim x_{n-1}$$

$$l^2 \geq 2 + l.$$

$$\Rightarrow l^2 - l - 2 \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (l-2)(l+1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow l = 2 \quad l = -1$$

$$\therefore x_n > 0 \quad \forall n \Rightarrow l = 2.$$

Q.16 prove that the sequence  $\{a_n\}$  defined by

$$a_1 = \sqrt{7} \text{ \& } a_{n+1} = \sqrt{7+a_n}$$

Converges to the true square root of

$$x^2 - x - 7 = 0$$

Sol

$$a_1 = \sqrt{7}$$

$$a_{n+1} = \sqrt{7+a_n}$$

$$a_2 = \sqrt{7+a_1}$$

$$= \sqrt{7+\sqrt{7}} > \sqrt{7} = a_1$$

Let

$$a_k > a_{k-1}$$

for some  $k \in \mathbb{N}$

$$7+a_k > 7+a_{k-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{7+a_k} > \sqrt{7+a_{k-1}}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{k+1} > a_k.$$

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By Mathematical induction.

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  is monotonically increasing  $\forall n$

Now

$$a_1 = \sqrt{7} < 7$$

Let

$$a_k < 7 \quad \text{for some } k \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$7 + a_k < 7 + 7 = 14$$

$$\sqrt{7 + a_k} < \sqrt{14} < \sqrt{49} = 7$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{k+1} < 7$$

$\Rightarrow$  By mathematical induction.

$$a_n < 7 \quad \forall n$$

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  is bounded above

Since  $\{a_n\}$  is monotonically increasing and bounded above, it is cgt.

$$\text{Let } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = l$$

$$\text{Now } a_{n+1} = \sqrt{7 + a_n} \Rightarrow a_{n+1}^2 = 7 + a_n$$

$$\Rightarrow l^2 = 7 + l \Rightarrow l^2 - l - 7 = 0$$

$$\therefore a_n > 0 \quad \forall n$$

$\therefore \{a_n\}$  converges to a real root of  $x^2 - x - 7 = 0$

$$l = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1+28}}{2} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{29}}{2}$$

$$\text{But } \frac{1 - \sqrt{29}}{2} < 0 \quad \text{So } l = \frac{1 + \sqrt{29}}{2}$$

By Mathematical induction.

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  is monotonically increasing  $a_{n+1} > a_n \quad \forall n$ .

Now  $a_1 = \sqrt{7} < 7$

Let  $a_k < 7$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{N}$

$$7 + a_k < 7 + 7 = 14$$

$$\sqrt{7 + a_k} < \sqrt{14} < \sqrt{49} = 7$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{k+1} < 7$$

$\Rightarrow$  By mathematical induction.

$$a_n < 7 \quad \forall n$$

$\{a_n\}$  is bounded above

Since  $\{a_n\}$  is monotonically increasing and bounded above, it is cgt.

Let  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = l$

W  $a_{n+1} = \sqrt{7 + a_n} \Rightarrow a_{n+1}^2 =$

$$l^2 = 7 + l \Rightarrow l^2 - l - 7 =$$

$$a_n > 0 \quad \forall n.$$

$\{a_n\}$  converges to a real root of

$$= \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1+28}}{2} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{29}}{2}$$

So  $l = \frac{1 + \sqrt{29}}{2}$

$$x_1 < \alpha$$

Thus

or

$$x_1 > \alpha, \quad x_1 > \beta$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1 > \alpha$$

Thus  $\{x_n\}$  is increasing or decreasing according as  $x_1 = \alpha$  is less or greater than the root of the equation.

$$x^2 - x - a = 0 \text{ or } x = \frac{1}{2}(1 \pm \sqrt{1+4a})$$

Thus

$$x_1 > \alpha \Rightarrow \textcircled{2} \text{ i.e.}$$

$$x_1^2 - x_1 - a > 0$$

$$x_1^2 > x_1 + a$$

$$x_1 > \sqrt{x_1 + a}$$

$$\sqrt{x_1 + a} < x_1 \Rightarrow x_2 < x_1$$

$\Rightarrow \{x_n\}$  is monotonically decreasing

Now

$$x_n^2 = x_{n-1} + a > x_n + a$$

$$\therefore x_n < x_{n-1}$$

$$x_n^2 - x_n - a > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x_n > \alpha \quad \forall n$$

from  $\textcircled{2}$

or

$$x_1 > \alpha \quad \text{for some } k \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\text{Let } x_k > \alpha$$

$$\therefore x_k > \alpha$$

$$\sqrt{a + x_k} > \sqrt{a + \alpha}$$

$$x_1 > \alpha$$

$$x_1^2 > \alpha^2$$

$$a > \alpha^2$$

$$x_{k+1} > \alpha$$

$\forall n$  by induction.

Thus

Q #17 (R.G.B)

of  $x_1 = \sqrt{a}$  ( $a > 0$ ) &  $x_{n+1} = \sqrt{a + x_n}$  converges and.

$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  show that  $\{x_n\}$  find its limit.

Sol  

$$x_{n+1}^2 - x_n^2 = (a + x_n) - (a + x_{n-1})$$

$$= x_n - x_{n-1}$$

Thus we note that  $x_{n+1} > x_n$

$x_n > x_{n-1} \Rightarrow x_{n+1} < x_n$

and  $x_n < x_{n-1} \Rightarrow$  sequence is monotone increasing or decreasing according

Thus  $\{x_n\}$  is a monotone increasing or decreasing

Also  $\{x_n\}$  is an increasing or decreasing

as  $x_1 > x_1$   

$$\sqrt{a + x_1} > x_1^2$$

$$\Rightarrow a + x_1 - x_1^2 > 0$$

$$x_1^2 - x_1 - a < 0 \rightarrow (2)$$

$\Rightarrow a + x_1 - x_1^2 > 0$   
 Now product of roots is -ve and other is +ve.

$$x_1^2 - x_1 - a < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{one root is } -\frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1+4a}}{2}$$

$$x_1 = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1+4a}}{2}$$

(1)  $\Rightarrow (x_1 - \alpha)(x_1 + \beta) < 0$   
 $\Rightarrow x_1 - \alpha > 0$  &  $x_1 + \beta < 0$

$x_1 < \alpha < 0$   
 $x_1 < \alpha < -\frac{1 + \sqrt{1+4a}}{2}$

Thus  $\{x_n\}$  is monotonically decreasing sequence which is bounded below. Let  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = l$ .

Hence  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$  exists. Let  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = l$ .  
We have  $l \geq \alpha$ .

Now  $x_{n+1} = \sqrt{a + x_n}$

$$\Rightarrow l^2 = l + a$$

$$l^2 - l - a = 0$$

$$l = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1+4a}}{2} \Rightarrow l = \frac{1 + \sqrt{1+4a}}{2} = \alpha > 0$$

Similarly  $x_1 < \alpha$  from ①

$$\Rightarrow x_1^2 - x_1 - a < 0$$

$$x_1 < \frac{1 + \sqrt{1+4a}}{2} = \alpha$$

$x_1 < x_2$   
 $\Rightarrow \{x_n\}$  is monotonically increasing

$$\text{Now } x_n^2 = x_{n-1} + a < x_n + a$$

$$x_n^2 - x_n - a < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x_n < \alpha \quad \forall n \text{ by ①}$$

Thus  $\{x_n\}$  is monotonically increasing sequence & bounded above by  $\alpha$ .

Hence its limit exist &  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \frac{1 + \sqrt{1+4a}}{2} = \alpha$ .

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Q. 18 (R.G.B)

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Let  $a > 0$  & let  $a_1 > 0$ . Define

$$a_{n+1} = \sqrt{a + a_n} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

Show that  $\{a_n\}$  is cgt and find the limit

Sol #  $a_{n+1}^2 - a_n^2 = (a + a_{n+1}) - (a + a_n)$

$$= a_n - a_{n-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{n+1} - a_n = \frac{a_n - a_{n-1}}{a_{n+1} + a_n} \quad \text{that } a_{n+1} - a_n$$

Since  $a_{n+1} + a_n > 0$ , it follows

and  $a_n - a_{n-1}$  have same sign

i.e.  $a_{n+1} \geq a_n$  iff  $a_n \geq a_{n-1}$

according

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  increasing or decreasing according

as  $a_2 > a_1$  or  $a_2 < a_1$ .

$\{a_n\}$  increasing by

Case I If  $a_2 > a_1$ , then  
Mathematical induction.

Also  $a_{n+1}^2 - a_n^2 = a_n + b - a_n^2 \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$

$\forall n$

$$a_{n+1} > a_n$$

$\forall n$

$$\sqrt{a + a_n} > a_n$$

No

$$\Rightarrow a + a_n \geq a_n^2$$

$$0 > a_n^2 - a_n - a$$

$$\text{or } a_n^2 - a_n - a < 0 \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

$$\therefore a_n > 0 \quad \forall n \geq 1$$

$\therefore a_n$  is the root of equation.

$$a_n^2 - a_n - a = 0$$

Let the root be  $\alpha$ , then  $\alpha = \frac{1 + \sqrt{4a + 1}}{2}$

Then other root =  $\frac{\text{product of roots}}{\alpha}$

$$= -\frac{a}{\alpha}$$

$$a_n - a_n - a = (a_n - \alpha)(a_n + \frac{a}{\alpha})$$

from (2)

$$a_n^2 - a_n - a < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a_n - \alpha)(a_n + \frac{a}{\alpha}) < 0$$

$$\therefore a_n + \frac{a}{\alpha} > 0$$

$$\therefore a_n - \alpha < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n < \alpha \quad \forall n$$

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  is bounded above by the root of  $x^2 - x - a = 0$

$$\text{Also } 0 < a_1 < \alpha$$

Then  $\{a_n\}$  is increasing

Thus  $\{a_n\}$  is increasing when  $a_1$  is less than

the root of  $x^2 - x - a = 0$  i.e. less than  $\alpha = \frac{1 + \sqrt{4a + 1}}{2}$

Thus when  $a_1 < \alpha$

Then  $\{a_n\}$  bounded and increasing  
& hence is cgt

Case II If  $a_2 < a_1$ , then  $\{a_n\}$  is decreasing  
by Mathematical induction. i.e.

$$a_{n+1} < a_n$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{a+a_n} < a_n$$

$$\Rightarrow a+a_n < a_n^2$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n^2 - a_n - a > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a_n - \alpha) \left( a_n + \frac{a}{\alpha} \right) > 0$$

$$\therefore a_n + \frac{a}{\alpha} > 0$$

$$\therefore a_n - \alpha > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n > \alpha \quad \forall n.$$

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  is bounded below by  $\alpha = \frac{1 + \sqrt{4a+1}}{2}$

Also  $a_1 \geq \alpha$

Thus if  $a_1 > \alpha$ , then  $\{a_n\}$  is decreasing  
and bounded and hence cgt.

Let  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = l$ .

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{n+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n + a$$
$$l = l + a.$$

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$$\Rightarrow l^2 = l + a$$

$$\Rightarrow l^2 - l - a = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow l = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1+4a}}{2}$$

$$\therefore a_n > 0 \quad \forall n \quad \therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow l = \frac{1 + \sqrt{1+4a}}{2} = \alpha \quad \text{the root of}$$

$$\text{Equation } x^2 - x - a = 0$$

Q: 19 (Grashil exercise)

Define a sequence by

$$a_1 = k, (k > 0), \quad a_{n+1} = \sqrt{k + a_n} \quad \forall n$$

Show that  $\{a_n\}$  has a limit and find it.

Sol #  $a_n > 0 \quad \forall n$

$$a_2 = \sqrt{a_1 + k} = \sqrt{k + k} = \sqrt{2k}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a_{n+1}^2 - a_n^2 &= (a_n + k) - (a_{n-1} + k) \\ &= a_n - a_{n-1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{n+1} - a_n = \frac{a_n - a_{n-1}}{a_{n+1} + a_n}$$

$$\therefore a_{n+1} + a_n > 0$$

$\therefore a_{n+1} - a_n$  &  $a_n - a_{n-1}$  have same sign

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i.e.  $a_{n+1} \geq a_n$  iff  $a_n \geq a_{n-1}$

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  increasing or decreasing according as

$$a_2 > a_1 \quad \text{or} \quad a_2 < a_1$$

Case I If  $a_2 > a_1$ , then by mathematical induction it can be proved that  $\{a_n\}$

is increasing i.e.

$$a_{n+1} > a_n$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a_{n+1}}{k + a_n} > a_n$$

$$\Rightarrow k + a_n > a_n^2 \quad \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n^2 - a_n - k < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n^2 - a_n - k = 0 \quad \forall n \text{ of other -ve.}$$

$\therefore a_n > 0$  has one root +ve. & other -ve.

$\therefore a_n$  is the root of

$$a_n^2 - a_n - k = 0$$

$$\text{Let the root be } \alpha = \frac{1 + \sqrt{4k+1}}{2}.$$

other root =  $-\frac{k}{\alpha}$

$$\Rightarrow a_n^2 - a_n - k = (a_n - \alpha) \left( a_n + \frac{k}{\alpha} \right)$$

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①  $\Rightarrow$ 

$$(a_n - \alpha) \left( a_n + \frac{k}{\alpha} \right) < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n - \alpha < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n < \alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow \{a_n\} \text{ is increasing if } a_1 < \alpha$$

$a_n < \alpha$   $\forall n$  i.e. bounded above by  $\alpha$ , the root of  $x^2 - \alpha x - k = 0$

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  is monotonic bounded.

Case II of  $a_2 < a_1$ , then by mathematical induction

$\{a_n\}$  is decreasing i.e.

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a_{n+1}}{k + a_n} < a_n$$

$$\Rightarrow k + a_n < a_n^2$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n^2 - a_n - k > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (a_n - \alpha) \left( a_n + \frac{k}{\alpha} \right) > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n - \alpha > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n > \alpha$$

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  is decreasing if  $a_1 < \alpha$ ,  $a_1 > \alpha$  is bounded below by  $\alpha$

Thus  $\{a_n\}$  is monotonic bounded.  
sequence and hence cgt.

$$\therefore a_n > 0 \quad \forall n.$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \geq 0$$

Let  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = l.$

$$a_{n+1} = \sqrt{k + a_n}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{n+1}^2 = k + a_n.$$

$$\Rightarrow \left( \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{n+1} \right)^2 = k + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$$

$$l^2 = k + l.$$

$$l^2 - l - k = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow l = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 + 4k}}{2}$$

$$\therefore l \geq 0 \quad \therefore l = \frac{1 + \sqrt{1 + 4k}}{2}$$

the root of equation  $x^2 - x - k = 0$

Q# 20 (R. 4. B)

Then

$$\text{Let } x_1 > 1 \quad \text{and } x_{n+1} = 2 - \frac{1}{x_n}$$

Show that  $\{x_n\}$  is bounded & monotone. Find the limit

$$\text{Sol } x_{n+1} = 2 - \frac{1}{x_n}, \quad x_1 > 1$$

$$x_2 = 2 - \frac{1}{x_1} > 1 \quad \therefore \frac{1}{x_1} < 1$$

for some  $k \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\text{Let } x_k > 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x_k} < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 - \frac{1}{x_k} > 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2 - \frac{1}{x_k} > 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x_{k+1} > 1$$

$$\text{Thus } x_n > 1 \Rightarrow x_{k+1} > 1$$

Thus by M. induction.

$$x_n > 1 \quad \forall n$$

$$x_n - x_{n+1} = x_n - \left(2 - \frac{1}{x_n}\right)$$

$$= \frac{x_n^2 - 2x_n + 1}{x_n}$$

$$= \frac{(x_n - 1)^2}{x_n} > 0 \quad \therefore x_n > 1 \quad \forall n$$

$$\Rightarrow x_n > x_{n+1}$$

$\Rightarrow \{x_n\}$  monotonic bounded and hence convergent

$$\therefore x_n > 1 \quad \forall n$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = l \geq 1$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_{n+1} = 2 - \frac{1}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n}$$

$$l = 2 - \frac{1}{l}$$

$$l^2 = 2l - 1$$

$$l^2 - 2l + 1 = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{l = 1}$$

$$(l-1)^2 = 0$$

Q. 21 Crash!!  $x_{n+1} = 3 - \frac{2}{x_n}$

$$x_2 = 3 - \frac{2}{x_1} = 3 - \frac{2}{4}$$

$$= 3 - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{5}{2} = 2.5 > 2$$

$$x_3 = 3 - \frac{2}{x_2} = 3 - \frac{4}{5} = \frac{11}{5} = 2.2 > 2$$

for some  $k \in \mathbb{N}, k > 2$ .

Let  $x_k > 2$  thus  $x_k > 2$

$$+ \frac{1}{x_k} < \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x_{k+1} > 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2}{x_k} < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x_n > 2 \quad \forall n \geq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{2}{x_k} > -1$$

$$\Rightarrow 3 - \frac{2}{x_k} > 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x_{k+1} > 2$$

$$\text{118} \quad x_n - x_{n+1} = x_n - \left(3 - \frac{2}{x_n}\right)$$

$$= x_n^2 - 3x_n + 2$$

$$= \frac{x_n(x_n - 1)}{x_n \cdot x_{n-2}} > 0$$

$$x_n - 1 > 0$$

$$x_n \cdot x_{n-2} > 0$$

$$x_n > 0$$

$\therefore x_n > 2 \quad \therefore$  bounded and hence

$$\Rightarrow x_n > x_{n+1}$$

$\Rightarrow \{x_n\}$  is decreasing & bounded

Convergent  $\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \geq 2$ .

$$\text{Let } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = l$$

$$x_{n+1} = 3 - \frac{2}{x_n}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_{n+1} = 3 - \frac{2}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n}$$

$$l = 3 - \frac{2}{l}$$

$$l^2 = 3l - 2$$

$$l^2 - 3l + 2 = 0$$

$$(l-2)(l-1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow l = 2, \text{ or } l = 1$$

$$\text{But } l \geq 2 \Rightarrow l = 2$$

Q: 2.2 (Generalising <sup>119</sup>  $\mathbb{Q}_{\geq 0} \neq \mathbb{Q}_{\leq 0}$  made myself.)  
Define a sequence as

$$a \geq 2, x_1 > a-1, x_{n+1} = a - \frac{a-1}{x_n}$$

Prove that  $\{x_n\}$  converges to a limit. Find the limit

Sol

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &> a-1 & a-1 & \rightarrow 1 \\ x_2 &= a - \frac{a-1}{x_1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \begin{aligned} x_1 &> a-1 \\ 1 &> \frac{a-1}{x_1} \\ \frac{a-1}{x_1} &< 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$- \frac{a-1}{x_1} > -1$$

$$\Rightarrow a - \frac{a-1}{x_1} > a-1$$

$$\Rightarrow x_2 > a-1 \quad \text{for some } k \geq 2.$$

Let  $x_k > a-1$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x_k} < \frac{1}{a-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a-1}{x_k} < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow - \frac{a-1}{x_k} > -1$$

$$\Rightarrow a - \frac{a-1}{x_n} > a-1$$

$$\Rightarrow x_{n+1} > a-1$$

$$\text{Hence } x_n > a-1 \Rightarrow x_{n+1} > a-1$$

$$\text{Thus } x_n > a-1 \quad \forall n$$

$$x_n - x_{n+1} = x_n - \left( a - \frac{a-1}{x_n} \right)$$

$$= \frac{x_n^2 - a x_n + (a-1)}{x_n}$$

$$= \frac{x_n^2 - (a-1)x_n - x_n + (a-1)}{x_n}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{x_n (x_n - (a-1)) - 1 (x_n - (a-1))}{x_n}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{(x_n - 1) (x_n - (a-1))}{x_n} \geq 0$$

$$\therefore x_n > a-1 \geq 1 \therefore a \geq 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x_n \geq x_{n+1}$$

$\Rightarrow \{x_n\}$  is monotone decreasing and bounded & hence convergent

$$\text{Also } x_n > a-1$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n \geq a-1$$

$$x \geq 1$$

Let  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = l$

Now  $x_{n+1} = a - \frac{a-1}{x_n}$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_{n+1} = a - \frac{a-1}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n}$

$$l = a - \frac{a-1}{l}$$

$$l^2 = la - (a-1)$$

$$l^2 - la + a - 1 = 0$$

$$l^2 - (a-1)l - l + a - 1 = 0$$

$$l[l - (a-1)] - l[a - 1] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow [l - (a-1)][l - 1] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow l - (a-1) = 0 \quad | \quad l - 1 = 0$$

$$l = a-1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad l = a-1$$

But

$$l > a-1$$

Q# 23 (R.G.B exercise 3.3)

Let  $x_1 > 2$  and  $x_{n+1} = 1 + \sqrt{x_n - 1}$ .  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

Let  $x_1 > 2$  &  $x_{n+1} = 1 + \sqrt{x_n - 1}$  and bounded.  
Show that  $\{x_n\}$  is decreasing and bounded.  
below by 2. Find the limit.

Sol  
 $x_1 > 2 \quad \therefore x_1 - 1 > 1 \quad \therefore \sqrt{x_1 - 1} > 1$   
 $x_2 = 1 + \sqrt{x_1 - 1} > 2$

12.2 Let  $x_k \geq 2$  for  $\text{sim } k \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\Rightarrow x_{k-1} \geq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{x_{k-1}} \geq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + \sqrt{x_{k-1}} \geq 2$$

$$\Rightarrow x_{k+1} \geq 2.$$

Thus  $x_n \geq 2 \quad \forall n.$

$$x_n - x_{n+1} = x_n - 1 - \sqrt{x_n - 1}$$

$$= (\overline{x_n - 1})^2 - \sqrt{x_n - 1}$$

$$= \overline{x_n - 1} (\sqrt{x_n - 1} - 1) \geq 0 \quad \therefore x_n \geq 2.$$

$$\Rightarrow x_n \geq x_{n+1}$$

$\Rightarrow \{x_n\}$  is monotone decreasing & bounded.  
and hence Convergent.

$$\text{Also } x_n \geq 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n \geq 2.$$

$$\text{Let } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = l.$$

$$x_{n+1} = 1 + \sqrt{x_n - 1}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_{n+1} = 1 + \sqrt{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n - 1}$$

$$l \geq 1 + \sqrt{l - 1}$$

$$\Rightarrow l-1 = \sqrt[l-1]{123}$$

$$(l-1)^2 = l-1$$

$$\Rightarrow (l-1)^2 - (l-1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (l-1)[l-1-1] = 0$$

$$(l-1)(l-2) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow l=1, \quad l=2$$

$$\text{Thus } l=2 \quad \therefore l \geq 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 2$$

Q # 24 (Generalisation of Q13 made by myself.)

Let  $x_1 \geq a^2+1$ ,  $a \geq 1$  &  $x_{n+1} = a^2 + \sqrt{x_n - a^2}$ ,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Show that  $\{x_n\}$  decreasing and bounded below  $a^2+1$ . Find the limit.

Sol  $x_1 \geq a^2+1$

$$x_2 = a^2 + \sqrt{x_1 - a^2} \geq a^2+1 \quad \because x_1 \geq a^2+1$$

Let  $x_k \geq a^2+1$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

$$\Rightarrow x_k - a^2 \geq 1 \Rightarrow \sqrt{x_k - a^2} \geq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow a^2 + \sqrt{x_k - a^2} \geq a^2+1$$

$$\Rightarrow x_{k+1} \geq a^2+1$$

$$\text{Thus } x_n \geq a^2+1$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_n - x_{n+1} &= \frac{124}{x_n - (a^2 + \sqrt{x_n - a^2})} \\
 &= x_n - a^2 + \frac{x_n - a^2}{x_n - a^2} \\
 &= \frac{x_n - a^2}{x_n - a^2} (\sqrt{x_n - a^2} - 1) \geq 0 \\
 &\therefore x_n \geq a^2 + 1
 \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow x_n \geq x_{n+1}$   
 $\Rightarrow \{x_n\}$  is monotone decreasing and bounded.

$\Rightarrow \{x_n\}$  is convergent  $a^2 + 1$   
 and hence  $x_n \geq a^2 + 1$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n \geq a^2 + 1$$

$$\text{Let } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = l.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x_{n+1} &= a^2 + \sqrt{x_n - a^2} \\
 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_{n+1} &= a^2 + \sqrt{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n - a^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$l = a^2 + \sqrt{l - a^2}$$

$$l - a^2 = \sqrt{l - a^2}$$

$$(l - a^2)^2 = l - a^2$$

$$(l - a^2)^2 - (l - a^2) = 0$$

$$(l - a^2) [l - a^2 - 1] = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 l - a^2 &= 0 \\
 l &= a^2 + 1
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = a^2 + 1$$

Q:25 A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is defined as  $x_1 = a > 0$   $x_{n+1} = \sqrt{\frac{ab^2 + x_n^2}{a+1}}$   $b > a$   $n \geq 1$ . Show that  $\{x_n\}$  is cgt and find its limit.

Sol It is given that  $\rightarrow ①$

$$\begin{aligned} a < b &\Rightarrow x_1 < b \rightarrow ① \\ x_{n+1}^2 - b^2 &= \frac{ab^2 + x_n^2}{a+1} - b^2 \\ &= \frac{x_n^2 - b^2}{a+1} < 0 \text{ whenever } x_n^2 - b^2 < 0 \\ &\Rightarrow x_{n+1}^2 - b^2 < 0 \text{ when } x_n^2 - b^2 < 0 \\ &\Rightarrow x_{n+1} < b \text{ when } x_n < b \rightarrow ② \end{aligned}$$

By ① & ②

By mathematical induction, we have

$$x_n < b \quad \forall n$$

OR

$$x_1 < b \Rightarrow x_n < b \quad \text{for } n=1$$

Let  $x_k < b$  for  $k > 1$

$$\Rightarrow x_k^2 - b^2 < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x_{k+1}^2 < b^2$$

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$$\Rightarrow ab^2 + x_n^2 < b^2 + ab^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{ab^2 + x_n^2}{a+1} < \frac{b^2(a+1)}{a+1}$$

$$\therefore a+1 > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{ab^2 + x_n^2}{a+1}} < b$$

$$\Rightarrow x_{k+1} < b$$

Thus by mathematical induction

$$x_n < b \quad \forall n$$

$\Rightarrow \{x_n\}$  is bounded above.

Again

$$x_{n+1}^2 - x_n^2 = \frac{ab^2 + x_n^2}{a+1} - x_n^2$$

$$= \frac{a(b^2 - x_n^2)}{a+1} > 0 \quad [\because x_n < b \quad \forall n]$$

$$\Rightarrow x_{n+1}^2 > x_n^2$$

$$\Rightarrow |x_{n+1}| > |x_n|$$

$$\Rightarrow |x_{n+1}| > |x_n|$$

$$\Rightarrow x_{n+1} > x_n$$

$$[\because x_n > 0]$$

note  $|a| > |b| \nRightarrow a > b$   
but if  $a > 0, b > 0$ , then

$$|a| > |b| \Rightarrow a > b$$

$$\text{Also } |a| < |b| \nRightarrow a < b$$

$$\text{if } a > 0, b > 0, \text{ then}$$

$$|a| < |b| \Rightarrow a < b$$

$\Rightarrow \{x_n\}$  is increasing

Thus  $\{x_n\}$  is monotonically increasing and bounded above

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and hence convergent. <sup>127</sup>

$$\text{Let } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = l$$

$$\text{Now } s_{n+1}^2 = \frac{ab^2 + s_n^2}{a+1}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left( \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_{n+1} \right)^2 = \frac{ab^2 + \left( \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n \right)^2}{a+1}$$

$$l^2 = \frac{ab^2 + l^2}{a+1}$$

$$al^2 + l^2 = ab^2 + l^2$$

$$\Rightarrow l^2 = b^2 \Rightarrow l = \pm b$$

$$\therefore s_n > 0 \quad \forall n$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n \geq 0 \quad \forall n$$

Hence sequence  $\{s_n\}$  converges to  $b$

Q# 26 If  $a_1, b_1$  are two true unequal numbers and  $a_n, b_n$  are defined as

$$a_n = \frac{1}{2} (a_{n-1} + b_{n-1}) \quad b_n = \sqrt{a_{n-1} b_{n-1}} \quad n \geq 2$$

prove that two sequences  $\{a_n\}$  and  $\{b_n\}$  are monotonic, one increasing and the other decreasing and that they tend to the same limit.

Sol Let  $a_1 > b_1$

Since for any two true numbers, the A.M is greater than the G.M.

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$$\therefore a_n > b_n.$$

$$\therefore a_n > b_n \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}(a_n + b_n) < \frac{1}{2}(a_n + a_n) = a_n$$

$$\therefore b_n < a_n$$

$$\text{Also } a_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2}(a_n + b_n)$$

$$\Rightarrow \{a_n\} \text{ is } \downarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow a_1 > a_2 > a_3 > a_4 > \dots > \frac{1}{2}(a_n + b_n) = b_n \quad [a_n > b_n]$$

$$\Rightarrow a_1 > a_2 > \frac{1}{2}(a_n + b_n) > \frac{1}{2}(b_n + b_n) = b_n$$

$$\text{Again } b_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2}(a_n + b_n)$$

$$\therefore \{b_n\} \text{ is monotone decreasing}$$

$$\therefore \{b_n\} \text{ is monotone decreasing} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}(b_{n-1} + b_{n-1}) = b_{n-1}$$

$$\text{Now } \frac{1}{2}(a_{n-1} + b_{n-1}) > \frac{1}{2}(b_{n-1} + b_{n-1}) = b_{n-1}$$

$$a_n > b_{n-1} > b_{n-2} > \dots > b_2 > b_1$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n > b_1 \quad \forall n$$

$$\Rightarrow \{a_n\} \text{ is } \downarrow \text{ and bounded. } \therefore \text{hence cgt.}$$

$$\Rightarrow \{a_n\} \text{ is } \downarrow \text{ and bounded. } \therefore \text{hence cgt. by (i)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}(a_{n-1} + b_{n-1}) < \frac{1}{2}(a_{n-1} + a_{n-1}) = a_{n-1}$$

$$\text{Again } b_n = \frac{1}{2}(a_{n-1} + b_{n-1}) < \frac{1}{2}(a_{n-1} + a_{n-1}) = a_{n-1}$$

$$\text{i.e. } b_n < a_{n-1} < a_{n-2} < \dots < a_2 < a_1$$

$$\therefore \{b_n\} \text{ is bounded above and being monotone.}$$

$$\therefore \{b_n\} \text{ is convergent}$$

$$\text{Let } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = l_1 \quad \& \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = l_2$$

$$\text{Since } a_n = \frac{1}{2}(a_{n-1} + b_{n-1})$$

$$2a_n = a_{n-1} + b_{n-1}$$

$$\therefore 2a_{n+1} = \overline{a_n + b_n}^{129}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 2a_{n+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n$$

$$2l_1 = l_1 + l_2$$

$$\Rightarrow l_1 = l_2$$

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  &  $\{b_n\}$  converge to the same limit.

Q#27 If  $a_1 > 0, b_1 > 0$  and  $a_n = \overline{a_{n-1} \cdot b_{n-1}}$  and  $b_n = \frac{2a_{n-1}b_{n-1}}{a_{n-1} + b_{n-1}}$ , prove that

(i)  $\{a_n\}$  and  $\{b_n\}$  are monotonic, the one increasing and the other decreasing (ii)  $\{a_n\}$  and  $\{b_n\}$  both converge to the same limit.

Sol Suppose  $a_1 > b_1 \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$

$\therefore$  for any two true nos G.M  $>$  H.M.

$$a_n > b_n \quad \forall n \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

$$\text{Also } a_{n+1} = \overline{a_n \cdot b_n} < \overline{a_n \cdot a_n} = a_n$$

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  is  $\downarrow$  i.e.

$$a_1 > a_2 > a_3 > a_4 \dots > a_n >$$

$$\Rightarrow a_1 \geq a_n \quad \forall n \rightarrow \textcircled{3}$$

$$\text{Again } b_{n+1} = \frac{2a_n b_n}{a_n + b_n} > \frac{2b_n \cdot b_n}{b_n + b_n} = b_n \quad [a_n > b_n]$$

$$b_{n+1} > b_n$$

$\{b_n\}$  is monotone increasing  $b_1 < b_2 < b_3 \dots < b_n$

$$\text{or } b_n \geq b_1 \quad \forall n \rightarrow \textcircled{4}$$

is greater than  $m$

From ①, ②, ③ & ④ we get  
 $a_1 \geq a_n > b_n \geq b_1 \quad \forall n \rightarrow ⑤$   
 Now since  $a_n > b_1 \quad \forall n$   
 $\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  is bounded below and being  $\uparrow$  converges to a limit.  
 Again ⑤  $\Rightarrow b_n \leq a_1 \quad \forall n$   
 $\Rightarrow \{b_n\}$  is bounded above and being  $\uparrow$  is convergent.

Let  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = a$  &  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = b$

Now  $a_{n+1} = \sqrt{a_n \cdot b_n}$

or  $a_{n+1}^2 = a_n b_n$

$\therefore$  we have  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{n+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n$   
 $a^2 = ab$

$\Rightarrow a = b$  which proves the Result.

Q. 28 Two sequences  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  are defined inductively by  $x_1 = \frac{1}{2}$  &  $y_1 = 1$ .

and  $x_n = \sqrt{x_{n-1} y_{n-1}} \quad n = 2, 3, \dots$

$\frac{1}{y_n} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{x_n} + \frac{1}{y_{n-1}} \right) \quad n = 2, 3, 4, \dots$

prove that  $x_{n-1} < x_n < y_n < y_{n-1} \quad n = 2, 3, \dots$  and deduce that both sequences converge to the same limit & where  $\frac{1}{2} < L < 1$

Sol of  $a < a < b$ , then  $G.M = \sqrt{ab}$

and  $H = \left[ \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} \right) \right]^{-1} = \frac{2ab}{a+b}$

Also  $a < H < G < b$

we are given that 131

$$\frac{1}{2} = x_1 < y_1 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{let } x_{n-1} < y_{n-1}$$

$$x_{n-1} < x_n < y_{n-1}$$

Further

$$x_n < y_n < y_{n-1}$$

because  $y_n$  is H.M of  $x_n$  &  $y_{n-1}$ .

$$\Rightarrow x_{n-1} < x_n < y_n < y_{n-1} \quad n=2,3,\dots$$

$$\Rightarrow \{x_n\} \uparrow \text{ and is bounded above by } y_1 = 1$$

The sequence  $\{y_n\}$  decreases and is bounded below by  $x_1 = \frac{1}{2}$ . Hence both the sequence converge.

Suppose  $x_n \rightarrow l$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and  $y_n \rightarrow m$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

$$\text{Then } l^2 = lm \Rightarrow \boxed{l=m}$$

$$\frac{1}{m} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{l+m}{lm} \right) \Rightarrow \boxed{l=m}$$

Q29 If a sequence  $\{a_n\}$  is defined by

$$a_{n+1} = 1 + \frac{1}{a_n} \quad \forall n \geq 2 \quad a_1 > 0, a_1 = 1$$

prove that the sequence  $\{a_n\}$  is cgt and  $a_2 = 2$ .

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$\text{Sol } a_3 \leq 1 + \frac{1}{2} < 2$$

$$a_3 = \frac{3}{2}$$

$$a_4 = 1 + \frac{1}{a_3} = 1 + \frac{2}{3} < 2$$

$$\text{Let } a_{n+1} < 2 \quad \text{for } n \geq 2$$

is greater than

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Let  $a_{k+1} < 2$  for  $k > 2$ .

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{a_{k+1}} < \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + \frac{1}{a_{k+1}} < 1 + \frac{1}{2} < 2.$$

$$\Rightarrow d_{k+1+1} < 2$$

Thus  $a_{n+1} < 2 \quad \forall n \geq 2$

Thus  $1 \leq a_n \leq 2 \quad \forall n$ .

$$a_n = 1 + \frac{1}{a_{n-1}} \geq 1 + \frac{1}{a_{n-2}}$$

$$\geq 1 + \frac{a_{n-2}}{1 + a_{n-2}}$$

$$a_{n+2} - a_n = \left(1 + \frac{a_n}{1 + a_n}\right) - \left(1 + \frac{a_{n-2}}{1 + a_{n-2}}\right)$$

$$= \frac{a_n - a_{n-2}}{(1 + a_n)(1 + a_{n-2})}$$

$$1 - \frac{1}{a_{n-2} a_{n-1} a_n a_{n+1} a_{n+2}}$$

$\Rightarrow a_{n+2} - a_n$  have same sign as  $a_n - a_{n-2}$ .

$$\text{Now } a_3 - a_1 = \frac{3}{2} - 1 = \frac{1}{2} > 0$$

$$\text{so } a_{2k+1} - a_{2k-1} > 0 \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{N}$$

It follows that  $\{a_{2k-1}\}$  is monotone increasing sequence.

$$\text{Similarly } a_4 - a_2 = \frac{5}{3} - 2 < 0$$

$$\text{and so } a_{2k+2} - a_{2k} < 0 \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{N}$$

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 $\Rightarrow \{a_{2k}\}$  is monotone decreasing sequence  
 Abo

$$1 \leq a_{2k-1} \leq 2 \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$1 \leq a_{2k} \leq 2 \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{N}$$

$\Rightarrow \{a_{2k}\}$  and  $\{a_{2k-1}\}$  are bounded monotone sequence and hence cgt.

$$\text{Let } l_1 = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_{2k-1}$$

$$l_2 = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_{2k}$$

for  $n \geq 3$

$$a_n = 1 + \frac{a_{n-2}}{1 + a_{n-2}}$$

$$a_{2k-1} = 1 + \frac{a_{2k-3}}{1 + a_{2k-3}}$$

$$a_{2k} = 1 + \frac{a_{2k-2}}{1 + a_{2k-2}}$$

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_{2k-1} = 1 + \frac{\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_{2k-3}}{1 + \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_{2k-3}}$$

$$l_1 = 1 + \frac{l_1}{1 + l_1}$$

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_{2k} = 1 + \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_{2k-2}$$

$$1 + \frac{\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_{2k-2}}{1 + \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_{2k-2}}$$

$$l_2 = 1 + \frac{l_2}{1 + l_2}$$

Thus  $l_1$  &  $l_2$  both satisfy equation  $l^2 - l - 1 = 0$

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$$l = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

But

$$1 \leq a_n \leq 2 \quad \forall n.$$

So  $l_1, l_2 > 0$ 

$$\Rightarrow l_1 = \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} = l_2.$$

Q. #30 (Grashil) of a sequence  $\{a_n\}$  is defined by

$$a_2 > a_1 > 0, \quad a_{n+1} = \frac{a_n + a_{n-1}}{2} \quad \forall n \geq 2$$

$$\text{or } a_n = \frac{a_{n-1} + a_{n-2}}{2} \quad \forall n \geq 2.$$

prove that the sequence converges also find limit

Sol #  $a_{n+2} - a_n = \frac{1}{2} [a_{n+1} + a_n] - a_n$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [a_n - a_{n-2}] \rightarrow \text{①}$$

$$\therefore a_1 < a_2$$

putting  $n = 3, 4, 5, \dots$  in relation

$$a_n = \frac{1}{2} [a_{n-1} + a_{n-2}]$$

$$a_3 = \frac{1}{2} [a_2 + a_1]$$

$$a_4 = \frac{1}{2} [a_3 + a_2]$$

$$a_5 = \frac{1}{4} [a_4 + a_2]$$

$$a_m = \frac{1}{2} [a_{m-1} + a_{m-2}]$$

$$a_1 < a_2$$

$$a_3 = \frac{1}{2} [a_1 + a_2] < \frac{1}{2} [a_2 + a_2] = a_2$$

$$\text{But } a_3 = \frac{1}{2} [a_1 + a_2]$$

$$\Rightarrow a_1 < a_3 < a_2$$

$$a_3 < a_4 < a_2$$

$$a_3 < a_5 < a_4$$

$$a_5 < a_6 < a_4$$

Thus it appears.

$$a_1 < a_3 < a_5 \dots$$

$$a_2 > a_4 > a_6 \dots$$

from ① let  $n = 2m$

$$a_{2m+2} - a_{2m} = \frac{1}{2} [a_{2m+1} - a_{2m}]$$

$$\therefore a_{2m+2} < a_{2m} \Rightarrow a_{2m+2} - a_{2m} < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{2m+1} - a_{2m} < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{2m+1} < a_{2m}$$

but

$$\Rightarrow a_{2m} < a_{2m-2} < \dots < a_1 < a_2$$

$\therefore$  every odd term is less than every even term  
ie  $\{a_{2m+1}\}$  is increasing and bounded above  
by  $a_2$  and is therefore convergent

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Similarly even term subsequence  $\{a_{2n}\}$  is convergent. we show that both converge to same limit

Let  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{2n+1} = l_1$  &  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{2n} = l_2$   
from recursion relation

$$a_{2n} = \frac{1}{2} [a_{2n-1} + a_{2n-2}]$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{2n} = \frac{1}{2} [\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{2n-1} + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{2n-2}]$$

$$l_2 = \frac{1}{2} [l_1 + l_2]$$

$$2l_2 = l_1 + l_2$$

$$l_1 = l_2$$

Thus  $\{a_n\}$  is cgt.

Now from  $a_n = \frac{1}{2} [a_{n-1} + a_{n-2}]$

$$a_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} [a_n + a_{n-1}]$$

$$a_3 = \frac{1}{2} [a_2 + a_1]$$

$$a_4 = \frac{1}{2} [a_3 + a_2]$$

$$a_5 = \frac{1}{2} [a_4 + a_3]$$

$$\vdots$$

$$a_k = \frac{1}{2} [a_{k-1} + a_{k-2}]$$

$$a_{k+1} = \frac{1}{2} [a_k + a_{k-1}]$$

Adding all these

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_3 + a_4 + a_5 + \dots + a_k + a_{k+1} &= \frac{1}{2} [a_2 + a_1 + a_3 + a_2 \\
 &\quad + a_4 + a_3 + \dots \\
 &\quad \dots - a_{k-1} + a_{k-2} \\
 &\quad + a_k + a_{k-1}]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} [a_1 + 2a_2 + 2a_3 + 2a_4 + \dots - 2a_{k-1} + a_k]$$

$$\frac{1}{2} a_k + a_{k+1} = \frac{1}{2} [a_1 + 2a_2]$$

$\Rightarrow$  Taking limit when  $k \rightarrow \infty$

$$\frac{1}{2} l + l = \frac{1}{2} [a_1 + 2a_2]$$

$$\frac{3}{2} l = \frac{1}{2} [a_1 + 2a_2]$$

$$l = \frac{1}{3} [a_1 + 2a_2]$$

$$= q \left[ \frac{1 + a_{n-3} - 1 - a_{n-1}}{(1 + a_{n-1})(1 + a_{n-3})} \right]$$

$$= -a \frac{(a_{n-1} - a_{n-3})}{(1 + a_{n-1})(1 + a_{n-3})} \rightarrow \textcircled{2}$$

$$= -a \left[ \frac{1 + \frac{a}{1 + a_{n-2}} - \frac{q}{1 + a_{n-4}}}{(1 + a_{n-1})(1 + a_{n-3})} \right]$$

$$= \frac{(1 + a_{n-1})(1 + a_{n-3})}{a^2 (a_{n-2} - a_{n-4})} \rightarrow \textcircled{3}$$

$$(1 + a_{n-1})(1 + a_{n-3})(1 + a_{n-2})(1 + a_{n-4})$$

$\textcircled{3} \Rightarrow$  that  $a_{n-1} \cdot a_{n-2} \neq a_{n-3} \cdot a_{n-4}$  that  $a_{n-2} - a_{n-4}$  have same.  $a_{n-3} \cdot a_{n-2}$   $a_n$

$a_{n-2} - a_{n-4}$  have same. odd terms form separate

signs. So even and odd terms form separate

subsequences, sequences

From  $\textcircled{2}$  we note that if odd numbered subsequence form a monotone decreasing subsequence, then sequence of even no terms form a subsequence of increasing terms and vice versa.

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Since every term of the sequence is +ve.

$$a - a_n = a - \frac{a}{1+a_{n-1}} = \frac{a a_{n-1}}{1+a_{n-1}} > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a - a_n > 0 \quad \forall n$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n < a \quad \forall n$$

Thus

$$0 < a_n < a.$$

OR

$$a_n = \frac{a}{1+a_{n-1}} < a \quad \because a_{n-1} > 0$$

Thus monotone increasing sub-sequence is bounded above by  $a$  and the monotone decreasing sub-sequence is bounded below by  $0$ .

Hence the two sub-sequences converge.

Let even no terms converges to  $l_1$  & odd no term converge to  $l_2$ .

$$\text{Then } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \frac{a}{1 + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_{n-1}}$$

$$\text{we get } l_1 = \frac{a}{1+l_2} \quad \text{or } l_1 l_2 + l_1 = a.$$

$$\text{for } n \text{ odd } l_2 = \frac{a}{1+l_1} \quad \text{or } l_1 l_2 + l_2 = a.$$

$$\Rightarrow l_1 l_2 + l_1 = l_1 l_2 + l_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{l_1 = l_2}$$

Q# 32140

A sequence  $\{a_n\}$  is defined as  $a_1 = 1$   
 $a_{n+1} = \frac{4+3a_n}{3+2a_n} \quad n \geq 1$  Show that  $\{a_n\}$

Converges and find limit

Sol  
 $a_1 = 1 \quad a_2 = \frac{4+3a_1}{3+2a_1} = \frac{7}{5} > 1$

$$a_1 > a_2$$

Let  $a_{n+1} > a_n$

Then  $a_{n+2} - a_{n+1} = \frac{4+3a_{n+1}}{3+2a_{n+1}} - \frac{4+3a_n}{3+2a_n}$

$$= \frac{a_{n+1} - a_n}{(3+2a_{n+1})(3+2a_n)} > 0$$

$$[\because a_{n+1} > a_n \\ a_n > 0 \quad \forall n]$$

$$a_{n+2} - a_{n+1} > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{n+2} > a_{n+1}$$

By mathematical induction  $\{a_n\}$  is increasing

$$a_{n+1} = \frac{4+3a_n}{3+2a_n} = \frac{3}{2} - \frac{1}{2(3+2a_n)}$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} - (\text{a true quantity less than } 1) \quad (a_2, a_3, \dots)$$

$$< \frac{3}{2} \quad \Rightarrow a_{n+1} < \frac{3}{2} \quad \forall n$$

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  is bounded above.

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 Thus  $\{a_n\}$  bounded monotonic and hence  
 convergent. Let  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = l$ .

Then  $a_{n+1} = \frac{4+3a_n}{3+2a_n}$

$\Rightarrow l = \frac{4+3l}{3+2l}$

$3l + 2l^2 = 4 + 3l \Rightarrow l^2 = \frac{4}{2} = 2$

$2l^2 = 4 \Rightarrow$

$\Rightarrow l = \pm\sqrt{2}$

But  $l$  can not be -ve.  $l = \sqrt{2}$

Q: 33 # A sequence is defined by  $a_{n+1} = 1 + \frac{1}{2}a_n$

$a_0 = 1$   $a_1 = \frac{3}{2}$  ... Converges by showing

that the sequence is bounded and find its

limit.

$a_0 = 1$

$a_1 = \frac{3}{2} = 1.5$

Sol  $a_2 = \frac{7}{4} = 1 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{3}{2} = \frac{15}{8} = 1.875$

$a_3 = 1 + \frac{1}{2}a_2 = 1 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{7}{4} = 1 + \frac{7}{8} = 1.875$

The sequence appears to increase.

Hence it is possible only if

$a_{n+1} > a_n$

$\Rightarrow 1 + \frac{1}{2}a_n > a_n$

$\frac{1}{2} > \frac{1}{2}a_n$

$\Rightarrow 2 > a_n$   
 $a_n < 2 \quad \forall n$

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⇒ Sequence is bounded above by 2.  
Hence the sequence is bounded and thus  
convergent

$$\text{Let } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = l.$$

$$\Rightarrow l = 1 + \frac{1}{2}l \Rightarrow l = 2.$$
$$\text{Thus } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 2$$

Theorem If  $|a| < 1$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a^n = 0$

Proof Case I Let  $0 < a < 1$

Then  $\{a^n\}$  is a bounded monotone  
sequence and thus convergent.

$$\text{Let } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a^n = l.$$

$$\text{Then } l = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a^{n+1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a a^n$$

$$l = al$$

$$\Rightarrow l(1-a) = 0 \Rightarrow l = 0 \text{ or } a = 1$$

If  $l \neq 0$ , then  $a = 1$  which is impossible.

because  $|a| < 1 \Rightarrow -1 < a < 1$

Therefore  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a^n = 0$  if  $0 < a < 1$

Cor II Let  $-1 < a < 0$

$$\text{Then } 0 < -a < 1$$

Now

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$$(-a)^n = (-1)^n a^n$$

$\{(-1)^n\}$  is bounded &  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a^n = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (-1)^n a^n = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (-a)^n = 0$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a^n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [(-1)^n (-a)^n]$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (-1)^n (-a)^n = 0$$

Case III If  $a > 0$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a^n = 0$

OR

If  $a > 0$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a^n = 0$

Let us assume that  $0 < |a| < 1$

Let  $\epsilon > 0$

$$|a^n - 0| < \epsilon$$

$$|a^n| < \epsilon \Rightarrow |a|^n < \epsilon$$

$$n \ln |a| < \ln \epsilon$$

$$n > \frac{\ln \epsilon}{\ln |a|}$$

$$\therefore \ln |a| < 0$$

becomes  $0 < \ln |a|$

This inequality provides us a clue to choose  $n$ , (fixed) - Let us consider

Case I If  $\epsilon < 1$

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Then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \leq 0$  and let  $n_1 > \frac{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n}$   
such that

$$|a^{n_1} - 0| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq n_1$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a^{n_1} = 0$$

Case II If  $\epsilon \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \in \mathbb{Z}^+$

$$\text{and } \frac{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n}{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n} \leq 0$$

In this case we can choose an  $n_1$  true and will have

$$|a^{n_1} - 0| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq n_1$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a^{n_1} = 0$$

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Theorem If  $a > 0$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a^{1/n} = 1$

Proof # Case-I let  $a > 1$

Then  $a^{1/n} \geq 1$

$\{a^{1/n}\}$  is bounded below by 1.

$$\text{Also } a > a^{1/2} > a^{1/3} > a^{1/4} > \dots$$

$\Rightarrow \{a^{1/n}\}$  is bounded and decreasing  
and hence convergent

Let  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a^{1/n} = l$ .

$$\therefore a^{1/n} \geq 1 \quad \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a^{1/n} \geq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{14n}{a} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{14n+1}{a^n} = \frac{14}{a}$$

The sub-sequence  $\{a_n\}$  &  $\{a_n\}$  converge to same limit  $\frac{14}{a}$  hence.

$$l = \frac{14}{a}$$

$$l(l-1) = 0$$

$$l=0 \text{ or } l=1$$

$$\text{Since } l \neq 0, l=1$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 1$$

OR

$$\text{Let } a > 1, \text{ then } a^n > 1 \quad \forall n$$

$$\text{Let } a^n = 1 + h_n \text{ where } h_n > 0$$

$$a = (1+h_n)^n = 1 + nh_n + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!} h_n^2 + \dots$$

$$\geq 1 + nh_n$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{a-1}{n} \geq h_n$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 < h_n \leq \frac{a-1}{n} \quad \forall n$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 0 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{a-1}{n} = 0$$

By squeeze principle

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} h_n = 0$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1+h_n) = 1+0=1$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 1$$

Case 4

$\Rightarrow a > 1$

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if  $a \geq 1$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a^{1/n} = 1$

Case I if  $0 < a < 1$

Then  $\frac{1}{a} > 1$  and by case I above

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{a}\right)^{1/n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{a^{1/n}} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a^{1/n} = 1$$

Theorem # Discuss the nature of the sequence  $\{a^n\}$  for  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Sol The behaviour of the sequence  $\{a^n\}$  depends upon the value of  $a$

Case 1 Let  $a > 1$

Then  $a \geq 1 + h$  where  $h > 0$

$$a^n \geq (1+h)^n = 1 + nh + \frac{n(n-1)}{2} h^2 + \dots + h^n$$

$$a^n \geq 1 + nh$$

$$a^n \rightarrow \infty \quad 1 + nh \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\Rightarrow a^n \rightarrow \infty \quad a^n \rightarrow \infty$$

$\Rightarrow \{a^n\}$  diverges

Case II Let  $a \geq 1$

$$a^n = 1$$

$\Rightarrow \{a^n\}$  is a Constant sequence and converges

### Case III

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Let  $0 < a < 1$

Then

$$\frac{1}{a} > 1$$

$\frac{1}{a} \geq 1+h$  for some  $h > 0$

$$\frac{1}{a^n} = (1+h)^n > n^h$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 < a^n < \frac{1}{n^h}$$

By squeeze play

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a^n = 0$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a^n = 0$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a^n = 0 \Rightarrow \{a^n\} \text{ Converges to } 0$$

### Case IV

Let  $-1 < a < 0$

put  $a = -b$ , then

$$-1 < a < 0 \Rightarrow -1 < -b < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 < b < 1$$

$$b^n \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a^n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (-b)^n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (-1)^n b^n = 0$$

$\Rightarrow \{a^n\}$  Converges to 0

### Case V

Let  $a = -1$

$$a^n = (-1)^n = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \\ 1 & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

The sequence is  $-1, 1, 1, -1, 1, -1, \dots$

$\Rightarrow \{a^n\}$  oscillates finitely

Case VIII  $a < -1$  let  $a = -b$   
 $a^{2n} \rightarrow 1$

$a < -1 \Rightarrow -b < -1 \Rightarrow b > 1$   
 By  $b^n \rightarrow \infty$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

$$a^n = (-b)^n = \begin{cases} -b^n & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \\ b^n & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} a^n &\rightarrow \infty \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \text{ when } n \text{ is odd} \\ a^n &\rightarrow \infty \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \text{ when } n \text{ is even} \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow \{a^n\}$  oscillates infinitely

Hence  $\{a^n\}$  converges when  $-1 < a \leq 1$

Lemma # Let  $a \neq b$  be numbers such that

$$0 \leq a < b, \text{ then}$$

$$\frac{b^{n+1} - a^{n+1}}{b - a} < (n+1)b^n$$

OR  $b^n \times \{b - (n+1)(b-a)\} < a^{n+1}$

Proof  $0 \leq a < b$

By actual division

$$\frac{b^{n+1} - a^{n+1}}{b - a} = a^0 b^n + a^1 b^{n-1} + a^2 b^{n-2} + \dots + a^n b^1 + a^{n+1} \quad (n \text{ terms})$$

$$< b^n + b b^n + b^2 b^{n-2} + b^3 b^{n-3} + \dots + b^{n-1} b + b^n \quad (\because a < b)$$

$$= (n+1)b^n$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{b^{n+1} - a^{n+1}}{b - a} < (n+1)b^n [b - a]$$

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$$b^{n+1} - (n+1)b^n(b-a) < a^{n+1}$$

$$b^n \left[ b - (b-a)(n+1) \right] < a^{n+1}$$

Theorem # prove that the sequence

$\left\{ \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n \right\}$  is bounded and increasing

OR

Let  $e_n = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n$ , prove that  $\{e_n\}$  is increasing and bounded.

Case Proof # We know that for  $0 < a < b$

$$b^n [b - (n+1)(b-a)] < a^{n+1} \quad \text{if } b = 1 + \frac{1}{n}$$

Taking

$$b > a \quad \therefore \left\{ \frac{1}{n+1} < \frac{1}{n} \right\}$$

$$\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n \left[ \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right) - (n+1) \left(1 + \frac{1}{n} - 1 - \frac{1}{n+1}\right) \right] < \left(1 + \frac{1}{n+1}\right)^{n+1}$$

$$\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n \left[ \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right) - (n+1) \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1}\right) \right] < \left(1 + \frac{1}{n+1}\right)^{n+1}$$

$$\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n \left[ \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right) - (n+1) \left(\frac{n+1-n}{n(n+1)}\right) \right] < \left(1 + \frac{1}{n+1}\right)^{n+1}$$

$$\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n} \right] < \left(1 + \frac{1}{n+1}\right)^{n+1}$$

$$\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n < \left(1 + \frac{1}{n+1}\right)^{n+1}$$

$$e_n < e_{n+1} \quad \forall n$$

$e_n =$

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$\Rightarrow \{e_n\}$  is  $\uparrow$

Let  $a=1$   $b=1+\frac{1}{2n}$

$$\left(1+\frac{1}{2n}\right)^n \left\{1+\frac{1}{2n} - (n+1)\left(1+\frac{1}{2n}-1\right)\right\} < 1^{n+1}.$$

$$\left(1+\frac{1}{2n}\right)^n \left[1+\frac{1}{2n} - \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2n}\right] < 1$$

$$\left(1+\frac{1}{2n}\right)^n \left[\frac{1}{2}\right] < 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(1+\frac{1}{2n}\right)^n < 2.$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(1+\frac{1}{2n}\right)^{2n} < 4 \Rightarrow e_{2n} < 4$$

Since  $\{e_n\}$  is increasing and  $2n > n$ ,  
therefore  $e_n < e_{2n} < 4 \quad \forall n$ .

$\Rightarrow \{e_n\}$  is bounded.

Thus  $\{e_n\}$  is convergent.

of  $n=1$   $e_1 = (1+1)^1 = 2.$

$$\Rightarrow 2 \leq e_n < 4 \quad \forall n$$

OR

$\therefore n$  is the integer, by binomial theorem.

$$e_n = \left(1+\frac{1}{n}\right)^n = 1 + n \cdot \frac{1}{n} + \frac{n(n-1)}{2!} \cdot \frac{1}{n^2} + \dots + \frac{n(n-1) \dots 2 \cdot 1}{n!} \cdot \frac{1}{n^n}$$

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This is not Adjacent  
Remedies.

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$$e_n = 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2!} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right) + \frac{1}{3!} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right) \left(1 + \frac{2}{n}\right) + \dots + \frac{1}{n!} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right) \left(1 - \frac{2}{n}\right) \dots \left(1 - \frac{n-1}{n}\right)$$

changing  $n$  to  $n+1$

$$e_{n+1} = 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2!} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n+1}\right) + \frac{1}{3!} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n+1}\right) \left(1 - \frac{2}{n+1}\right) + \dots$$

$$+ \frac{1}{(n+1)!} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n+1}\right) \left(1 - \frac{2}{n+1}\right) \dots \left(1 - \frac{n}{n+1}\right)$$

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note that  $e_n$  has  $n+1$  terms &  $e_{n+1}$  has  $n+2$  terms and one more term.

$$\text{Also } \frac{1}{n+1} < \frac{1}{n} \Rightarrow -\frac{1}{n+1} > -\frac{1}{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 - \frac{1}{n+1} > 1 - \frac{1}{n}$$

$$\text{Similarly } 1 - \frac{k}{n+1} > 1 - \frac{k}{n} \quad \text{for } k=1, 2, \dots, n-1$$

$\Rightarrow$  each term in  $e_n$  after the 1st two terms is less than the corresponding term in  $e_{n+1}$  and  $e_{n+1}$  has also one additional term. It comes out

$$e_{n+1} > e_n$$

$\Rightarrow \{e_n\}$  is  $\uparrow$

To show that  $\{e_n\}$  is bounded above we have.

$$= 1 + n \cdot \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{2!} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right) + \frac{1}{3!} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right) \left(1 - \frac{2}{n}\right) + \dots$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{1!} + \frac{1}{2!} + \dots + \frac{1}{k!} + \dots + \frac{1}{n!} \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right) \left(1 - \frac{2}{n}\right) \dots \left(1 - \frac{n-1}{n}\right)$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} + \dots + \frac{1}{n!} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} e^{-1} + \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}$$

$$\therefore 1 - p_n < 1$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{p_i} \leq \frac{1}{2^{p-1}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \{e_n\}$$

$$\frac{15}{12} = 1 + \frac{1 - (\frac{1}{2})^n}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} = 1 + 2[1 - (\frac{1}{2})^n] < 3$$

$$\Rightarrow e_n < 3 \quad \forall n$$

$$\text{for } n=1 \quad e_1 = 2$$

$$\text{for } n > 1$$

$$2 < e_n < 3 \quad \forall n > 1$$

Thus  $\{e_n\}$  bounded monotone and hence convergent

Note By refining our estimates we can find closer rational approximations to  $e$  but we can not evaluate  $e$  since  $e$  is an irrational number. However it is possible to evaluate  $e$  to as many decimal places as desired.

Theorem # Prove that  $e$  is irrational

Proof # Let  $e$  be a rational number

$$\text{and } e = \frac{p}{q} \quad \text{where } p, q \in \mathbb{N} \text{ and } q > 1$$

$$\text{Let } x_q = \sum_{k=1}^q \frac{1}{k!} = 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} + \dots + \frac{1}{q!}$$

$$\text{Since } e = 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} + \frac{1}{4!} + \dots$$

$$\text{so } e - x_q = \frac{1}{(q+1)!} + \frac{1}{(q+2)!} + \frac{1}{(q+3)!} + \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{(q+1)!} \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{q+2} + \frac{1}{(q+2)(q+3)} + \dots \right]$$

$$, \frac{1}{q+1} \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{q+1} + \frac{1}{(q+1)^2} + \dots \right]$$

$$= 1 + \frac{1 - (\frac{1}{2})^n}{1 - \frac{1}{2}} = 1 + 2[1 - (\frac{1}{2})^n] < 3$$

$$\Rightarrow e_n < 3 \quad \forall n$$

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$$\text{Let } s_2 = \sum_{k=1}^2 \frac{1}{k!} = 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} + \dots + \frac{1}{q!}$$

$$\text{Since } e = 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} + \frac{1}{4!} + \dots$$

$$\text{so } s_2 e - s_2 = \frac{1}{(q+1)!} + \frac{1}{(q+2)!} + \frac{1}{(q+3)!} + \dots$$

$$= \frac{1}{(q+1)!} \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{q+2} + \frac{1}{(q+2)(q+3)} + \dots \right] < \frac{1}{(q+1)!} \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{q+1} + \frac{1}{(q+1)^2} + \dots \right]$$

1 (Sum)

$$a_n \leq a_m < -k \quad \forall n > m$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n < -k \quad \forall n > m$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = -\infty \Rightarrow \{a_n\} \text{ diverges to } -\infty$$

$$= \frac{1}{(2+1)!} \left[ \frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{2+1} \right] \quad x_0 = \frac{9}{1-x}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(2+1)!} \times \frac{2}{2+1} = \frac{1}{(2!)2!}$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 < (e - s_2) < \frac{1}{2!2!}$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 < (e - s_2) < \frac{1}{2} < 1 \quad (\because 2! < 2)$$

$$0 < e - s_2 - s_2(2!) < 1$$

$$\therefore e - s_2 = p \quad \text{by } s_2 = e$$

$$\Rightarrow e - s_2 = e - s_2(2!) = p(2-1)! \text{ is an integer}$$

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Also

$$(2!)s_2 = 2! \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} + \dots + \frac{1}{2!} \right]$$

$$= 2! + 2! + \frac{2!}{2!} + \frac{2!}{3!} + \dots + 1 \text{ is an integer for each } 2! > 1$$

$\Rightarrow (e - s_2)2!$  is an integer lying b/w 0 and 1 which is a contradiction because there is no integer bet 0 & 1.

Hence  $e = 1 + \frac{1}{1!} + \frac{1}{2!} + \frac{1}{3!} + \frac{1}{4!} + \dots$  is an ~~irrational~~ irrational no.

$$2^{2n-1} e - \dots + \frac{1}{2^{2n-1}} \quad \therefore \frac{1}{p_i} \leq \frac{1}{2^{2p-1}}$$

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Theorem #1 (i) Every monotonically increasing sequence which is not bounded above diverges to  $+\infty$  i.e. diverges properly.

(ii) Every monotonically decreasing sequence which is not bounded below diverges to  $-\infty$ .

Proof #1 (i) Let  $\{a_n\}$  is  $\uparrow$  which is not bounded above.

Then, given any  $K > 0$ , however large,  $\exists$  a true integer  $m$  such that

$$a_m > K.$$

$\therefore \{a_n\}$  is  $\uparrow$   $\forall n \geq m$ .

$$a_n \geq a_m > K$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n > K \quad \forall n \geq m.$$

Thus for every real no  $K > 0$ , however large, we have a true integer  $m$  s.t. that

$$a_n > K \quad \forall n \geq m.$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \infty$$

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  diverges to  $+\infty$

(ii) Let  $\{a_n\}$   $\downarrow$  which is not bounded below. Then given any  $K > 0$ , large,  $\exists$  a true integer  $m$  s.t.

$$a_m < -K$$

$\therefore \{a_n\}$   $\downarrow$

$$a_n \leq a_m < -K \quad \forall n \geq m.$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n < -K \quad \forall n \geq m.$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = -\infty \Rightarrow \{a_n\} \text{ diverges to } -\infty$$

Theorem Every monotone <sup>154</sup> sequence either converges or diverges OR A monotone sequence is never oscillatory.

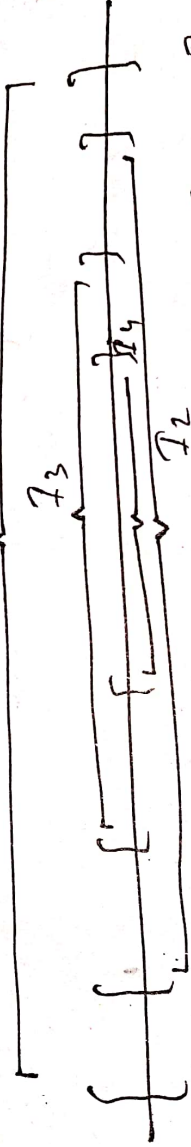
Proof Let  $\{a_n\}$  be a monotone sequence, then either  $\{a_n\} \uparrow$  or  $\{a_n\} \downarrow$   
Case I Let  $\{a_n\} \uparrow$   
 If  $\{a_n\}$  is bounded above, then  $\{a_n\}$  converges to l.u.b. If  $\{a_n\}$  is not bounded, then it diverges to  $+\infty$   
Case II Let  $\{a_n\} \downarrow$   
 If  $\{a_n\}$  is bounded below, then  $\{a_n\}$  is cgt to g.l.b. If  $\{a_n\}$  is not bounded below, then  $\{a_n\}$  is dgt to  $-\infty$

## Nested Intervals

A sequence  $\{I_n = [a_n, b_n]\}$  of closed intervals is called nested if

$$I_{n+1} \subseteq I_n \text{ i.e.}$$

$$I_1 \supseteq I_2 \supseteq I_3 \supseteq \dots \quad I_n \supseteq I_{n+1} \dots$$



e.g.  $I_n \supseteq [0, 1/n]$   $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $I_n \supseteq I_{n+1}$

$\forall n$  In this case 0 belongs to all  $I_n$  and 0 is the only such common point i.e.  $\bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} I_n = \{0\}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2^{k+1}} &= \dots + \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} & \dots & 1 - \frac{1}{2^n} < 1 \\ \in \mathbb{N} & & \therefore \frac{1}{2^k} & \leq \frac{1}{2^{n-1}} \end{aligned}$$

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In general, a nested interval sequence need not have common point e.g.

If  $I_n = (0, 1/n)$   $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , this sequence  $\{I_n\}$  is nested but there is no common point. because for every  $x > 0$   $\exists m \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$1/m \leq x \quad (\text{Archimedean})$$

so that  $x \notin I_m$ . Similarly the sequence of intervals  $K_n = (n, \infty)$   $n \in \mathbb{N}$  is nested and have no common point.

However, it is an important property of  $\mathbb{R}$  that every closed sequence of closed, bounded intervals does have a common point

### Nested Interval Property

(Cantor's Nested interval theorem)

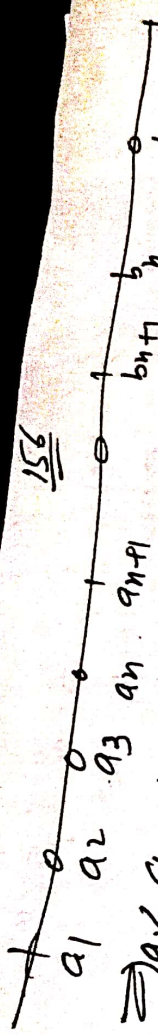
Let  $\{I_n = [a_n, b_n]\}$  be a sequence of closed intervals such that

(a)  $I_{n+1} \subseteq I_n$  i.e. sequence of nested intervals

(b)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (b_n - a_n) = 0$ . Then  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n$  contains unique point i.e. there is exactly one real no common to all intervals  $I_n$ .

Proof # since  $I_{n+1} \subseteq I_n$

$$\Rightarrow [a_{n+1}, b_{n+1}] \subseteq [a_n, b_n] \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$



$a_1 \leq a_n \leq a_{n+1} \leq b_{n+1} \leq b_n \leq b_1, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .  
 $\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  is bounded monotone increasing and  $\{b_n\}$  is bounded monotone decreasing sequence.

Thus  $\{a_n\}$  &  $\{b_n\}$  converge.

$$\text{Let } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = a \text{ (lub)} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = b \text{ (glb)}$$

$$\therefore b_n = (b_n - a_n) + a_n$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (b_n - a_n) + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$$

$$b = 0 + a \quad \left[ \because \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (b_n - a_n) = 0 \right]$$

$$b = a = a \text{ (say)}$$

Now  $x$  is lub of  $\{a_n\}$  &

$$a_n \leq x \quad \forall n$$

Also  $x$  is glb of  $\{b_n\}$

$$x \leq b_n \quad \forall n.$$

$$\Rightarrow a_n \leq x \leq b_n \quad \forall n.$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in [a_n, b_n] \quad \forall n$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in \mathbb{I}_n \quad \forall n.$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{I}_n$$

$\Rightarrow$  If a number common to all intervals.

Consequence If possible let  $x, y$  be two distinct numbers common to all the intervals.

Then  $x \in [a_n, b_n] \quad \forall n \quad y \in [a_n, b_n] \quad \forall n$

If  $x < y$ , then  $a_n \leq x < y \leq b_n \quad \forall n$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{p_i} \leq \frac{1}{2^{p-1}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \subseteq \mathbb{N}$$

$$\Rightarrow y-x \leq b_n - a_n \quad \forall n.$$

Let  $\epsilon = y-x > 0$ , then

$$b_n - a_n \geq \epsilon \quad \forall n. \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

$$\text{Also } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (b_n - a_n) = 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  for  $\epsilon = y-x$  there must exist an integer  $m$  such that

$$|(b_n - a_n) - 0| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m.$$

$$\Rightarrow b_n - a_n < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m$$

which contradicts  $\textcircled{1}$ . Hence  $x$  is only element common to all intervals.

Note # The word closed in above theorem can not be dropped i.e. the intersection of a decreasing sequence of open intervals may be empty.

e.g.  $I_n = (0, 1/n) \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n = \phi$

### Nested Interval Property

If  $I_n = [a_n, b_n]$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  is a nested sequence of closed bounded intervals, then  $\exists$  a  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $x_0 \in I_n \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Proof  $\because$  Intervals are nested, we have

$$I_n \subseteq I_1 \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

So that  $a_n \leq b_1 \quad \forall n$  &  $a_1 \leq b_n \quad \forall n$

Hence the non-empty set  $\{a_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is bounded above and. let  $x_0$  be lub of this set

Then  $a_n \leq x_0 \leq b_n \quad \forall n$

) finitely many peak points (peaks) or valleys

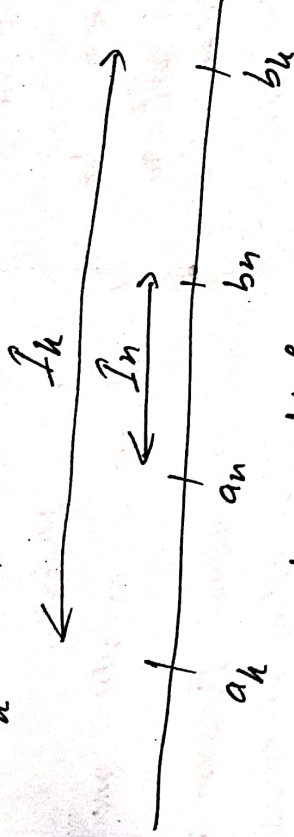
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 we claim that  $\exists x_0 \leq b_n$  for any particular  $n$ , <sup>we show that</sup>  $b_n$  is an upper bound of  $\{a_k : k \in \mathbb{N}\}$ .

If  $n \leq k$ , then  $I_n \supseteq I_k$ , we have.

$$a_k \leq b_k \leq b_n$$

If  $k < n$ , then since  $I_k \supseteq I_n$ , we have.

$$a_k \leq a_n \leq b_n$$



Thus  $a_k \leq b_n \quad \forall k$

$\Rightarrow b_n$  is an upper bound of the set  $\{a_k : k \in \mathbb{N}\}$

Hence  $x_0 \leq b_n$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$\Rightarrow a_n \leq x_0 \leq b_n \quad \forall n$

$\Rightarrow x_0 \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n$

Note  $x_0$  above may not be unique.

### Peak Point and Peak of a sequence.

A natural no  $m$  is called a peak point of the sequence  $\{a_n\}$  if

$$a_n \leq a_m \quad \forall n \geq m$$

and the term  $a_m$ , is called a peak of sequence. i.e.  $a_m$  is never exceeded by any term that follows it in the sequence

Note (a) in a decreasing sequence every term is a peak and every natural no is a peak point.

(b) In an increasing sequence no term is peak and no natural no is a peak point

e.g.  $a_n = \frac{1}{n}$  when  $n \leq 5$

Then 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 are five peak points

$a_n = -n$  when  $n > 5$

1, 2, 3, 4, 5 are five peak points

(iv) If  $a_n =$  when  $n = 1, 2, \dots, m$   
 $= -1$  when  $n > m$

Then  $m$  is only peak point.

(v) If  $a_n = \frac{1}{n}$ , then every natural no is a peak point

because for any natural no  $m$ , there  $\forall n > m$

$$\frac{1}{n} < \frac{1}{m} \quad \text{i.e. } a_n < a_m \quad \forall n > m$$

Thus a sequence may have no peak point, a finite no of peak points or an infinite no of peak points.

## Monotone Subsequence Theorem

Theorem # Every sequence of real nos contain a monotone subsequence.

Proof # Let  $\{a_n\}$  be any sequence.

Sequence  $\{a_n\}$  may have no peak point (peak), finitely many peak points (peaks) or infinitely many

peak points.

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I The sequence has no peak point and hence no peak.

Since 1 is not a peak point,  $\exists$  a natural

$n_2 > 1$  such that  $a_{n_2} > a_1$

$n_2$  is not a peak point,  $\exists$  a natural no

$n_3 > n_2$  s.t. that  $a_{n_3} > a_{n_2}$

Repeating the above argument, we get a

b-sequence  $\{a_{n_k}\}$  such that

$n_1 = 1$

$a_{n_1} < a_{n_2} < a_{n_3} < \dots$

the sequence  $\{a_{n_k}\}$  contains a monotonic

increasing subsequence.

II The sequence  $\{a_{n_k}\}$  has a finite no

peak points.

Let  $m$  be the largest peak point.

$a_m$  is a peak. Let  $n_1$  be a natural no s.t. that

$m$ , then  $n_1$  is not a peak point

$\exists$  a natural no  $n_2 > n_1$  such that  $a_{n_2} > a_{n_1}$

$a_{n_1}$   $n_2$  is not a peak point

$\exists$  a natural no  $n_3 > n_2$  such that  $a_{n_3} > a_{n_2}$

Repeating the above argument we get a

sequence  $\{a_{n_k}\}$  such that

$a_1 < a_{n_2} < a_{n_3} < \dots$

$\{a_{n_k}\}$  contains a monotone increasing

sequence.

The sequence  $\{a_{n_k}\}$  has an infinite no

peak points.

term  $(a_m)$  is called a peak

i.e.  $a_m$  is never exceeded by any

that follows it in the sequence

peak points.

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Case I The sequence has no peak point and hence no peak.

Since 1 is not a peak point,  $\exists$  a natural no  $n_2 > 1$  such that  $a_{n_2} > a_1$

$\therefore n_2$  is not a peak point,  $\exists$  a natural no  $n_3 > n_2$  s.t. that  $a_{n_3} > a_{n_2}$

Repeating the above argument, we get a sub-sequence  $\{a_{n_k}\}$  such that

$$a_{n_1} < a_{n_2} < a_{n_3} < \dots \quad n_1 = 1$$

Thus the sequence  $\{a_n\}$  contains a monotonically increasing subsequence.

Case II The sequence  $\{a_n\}$  has a finite no of peak points.

Let  $m$  be the largest peak point and  $a_m$  is a peak. Let  $n_1$  be a natural no s.t. that  $n_1 > m$ , then  $n_1$  is not a peak point

$\therefore \exists$  a natural no  $n_2 > n_1$  such that  $a_{n_2} > a_{n_1}$

Again  $n_2$  is not a peak point

$\therefore \exists$  a natural no  $n_3 > n_2$  such that  $a_{n_3} > a_{n_2}$

Repeating the above argument we get a

sub-sequence  $\{a_{n_k}\}$  such that

$$a_{n_1} < a_{n_2} < a_{n_3} < \dots$$

Thus  $\{a_n\}$  contains a monotone increasing

sub-sequence.

Case III The sequence  $\{a_n\}$  has an infinite no of peak points.

and the term  $(a_m)$  is called sequence. i.e.  $a_m$  is never exceeded by any term that follows it in the sequence

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Let the peak points be  $n_1, n_2, n_3, \dots$

such that  $n_1 < n_2 < n_3, \dots$

$\therefore n_1$  is a peak point and  $n_2 > n_1$

$\therefore a_{n_2} < a_{n_1}$

$\therefore n_2$  is not a peak point &  $n_3 > n_2$

$\therefore a_{n_3} < a_{n_2}$

Repeating the above process we get a

sub-sequence  $\{a_{n_k}\}$  so that  $a_{n_1} > a_{n_2} > a_{n_3} > \dots$

Thus the sequence  $\{a_n\}$  contains a monotonically decreasing sequence  $\{a_{n_k}\}$

## Theorem (Bolzano Weierstrass)

Every bounded real sequence has a convergent Subsequence

Proof # Let  $\{a_n\}$  be bounded sequence.

Then there is a closed interval  $I_0 = [a, b]$

such that

$$a_n \in [a, b] = I_0 \quad \forall n$$

Bisecting  $I_0 = [a, b]$  into two equal intervals

$$\left[a, \frac{a+b}{2}\right], \left[\frac{a+b}{2}, b\right]$$

one of these intervals must contain  $a_n$  for infinite many true integer. Let this interval be  $[d_1, c_1]$

$$I_1 = \left[a, \frac{a+b}{2}\right] = [a, d_1] \text{ with length } d_1 - a = \frac{b-a}{2}$$

and  $I_0 \supset I_1$

Bisecting  $I_1 = [a_1, b_1]$  into two equal intervals we get

$\left[ a_1, \frac{a_1+b_1}{2} \right], \left[ \frac{a_1+b_1}{2}, b_1 \right]$

one of these contain infinite terms of the sequence  $\{a_n\}$ . Let this be.

$$I_2 = \left[ a_1, \frac{a_1+b_1}{2} \right] \quad \text{with length} \quad \frac{b_1-a_1}{2}$$

and  $I_1 \supset I_2$

Continuing this process, we obtain a sequence of nested intervals  $I_0, I_1, I_2, \dots$  such that

$$I_0 \supset I_1 \supset I_2 \supset I_3 \supset \dots \quad \frac{b_n - a_n}{2^n} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

with  $b_n - a_n = \frac{b_1 - a_1}{2^n} \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and each interval contains an infinite number of terms of the sequence.

Choose a fixed integer  $n_1$  such that

$$a_{n_1} \in I_1$$

$\therefore I_2 = [a_2, b_2]$  contains infinite terms of  $\{a_n\}$

$\therefore$  For integer  $n_2 > n_1$  such that

$$a_{n_2}' \in I_2$$

Continuing this process we obtain numbers

$$a_{n_1}, a_{n_2}, a_{n_3}, \dots$$

such that

$$a_{n_k} \in [a_k, b_k] \quad k=1, 2, 3, \dots$$

and  $n_1 < n_2 < n_3 < n_4 < \dots$

of peak points

called

and the term  $(a_m)$  is never exceeded by any term in the sequence: i.e.  $a_m$  is the maximum of the sequence.

Proof  $\therefore \{a_n\}$  is bounded <sup>164</sup> There is  
 $\therefore$  By B.W Theorem  
 a convergent sub-sequence  $\{a_{n_k}\}$ .

Also  $a_{n_k} > \alpha \quad \forall n_k > n_0$

Hence  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_{n_k} \geq \alpha$

## Cantor's Intersection Theorem.

for real line.

Theorem # If  $F = \{F_n\}$  is a countable  
 class/family of non-empty closed and bounded  
 sets such that

$$F_1 \supset F_2 \supset F_3 \supset F_4 \dots \supset F_n \supset \dots$$

Then  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F_n$  is non-empty.

Proof #  $\therefore$  each  $F_n$  is a non-empty  
 closed and bounded set

$\therefore$  exists sequences of real  
 nos  $m_n$  &  $m_n$  belong to  $F_n$

such that

$$m_n = \inf F_n$$

$$M_n = \sup F_n$$

$$\therefore F_n \supset F_{n+1} \quad \forall n$$

$$\therefore M_n \geq M_{n+1} \quad \& \quad m_n \leq m_{n+1} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

Thus  $\{a_{n_k}\}$  is a subsequence of a sequence  $\{a_n\}$

we show that  $\{a_{n_k}\}$  is cgt.

The sequence  $\{a_k\}$  is monotone and bounded and so is cgt.

$$\text{Let } l = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} c_k.$$

Similarly the sequence  $\{d_k\}$  converges to some number  $m$ .

$$\begin{aligned} m - l &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} d_k - \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} c_k \\ &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (d_k - c_k) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{d-c}{2k} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore m = l \quad \because a_{n_k} \in [c_k, d_k] \quad k=1, 2, 3, \dots$$

$$c_k \leq a_{n_k} \leq d_k$$

By Squeeze Theorem

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_{n_k} = l = m$$

Thus  $\{a_n\}$  contains a convergent subsequence

Corollary Suppose that  $\{a_n\}$  is bounded sequence

such that  $a_n > \alpha$   $\forall n > n_0$  where  $\alpha$  is a real number, then there is a convergent subsequence  $\{a_{n_k}\}$  such that

$$\alpha \leq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_{n_k}$$

that follows it in the sequence

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Now the lower bound for  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F_n$  is the lower bound of the sequence  $\{M_n\}$  of upper bounds. Thus  $\{M_n\}$  is non-increasing sequence which is bounded below and is therefore convergent.

Let  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_n = M$

We show that  $M \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F_n$

Let  $M \notin \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F_n$

Then there will be at least one neighborhood

say  $]M-\epsilon, M+\epsilon[$   $\epsilon > 0$  which contains no point of  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F_n$

$\Rightarrow ]M-\epsilon, M+\epsilon[$  contains no point of  $F_n$  for

Some value of  $n$  say  $m$

$\Rightarrow ]M-\epsilon, M+\epsilon[$  contains no point of  $F_n$  for  $n \geq m$ .

$\Rightarrow M_n \notin ]M-\epsilon, M+\epsilon[$   $\forall n \geq m$

Contradicting the fact that  $\{M_n\}$  converges to  $M$

Hence  $M \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F_n$

Cluster Points (Limit points) of a sequence

Frequently valid property # A property of Statement  $P(n)$  is frequently valid.

for a sequence  $\{a_n\}$  <sup>1666</sup> if for every natural no  $m \exists$  at least one  $n, > m$  such that  $P(n)$  is true.

Note also An eventually valid statement is frequently valid.

### Cluster point

A real no  $c$  is said to be a cluster point of a sequence  $\{a_n\}$  if every nbd of  $c$  contains infinitely many terms of the sequence i.e.

$\forall \epsilon > 0 \quad a_n \in (c - \epsilon, c + \epsilon)$  for infinitely many values of  $n$

Note A cluster point of a sequence is called a limit point or a condensation point or an accumulation point or a subsequential limit of the sequence

### Difference b/w limit and limit point of a sequence

If  $l \in \mathbb{R}$  is the limit of a sequence  $\{a_n\}$  then for  $\epsilon > 0 \exists m \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\forall n > m$

$$|a_n - l| < \epsilon$$

$\Rightarrow$  every nbd of  $l$  contains all except a finite no of terms of the sequence i.e. There are

$$\alpha \leq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_k$$

that follows in the next page

only a finite no of terms outside each nbd of  $l$ .  
otherwise if  $l$  is a limit point of sequence  $\{a_n\}$ , then every nbd of  $l$  contains infinitely many terms of the sequence and there may be infinite terms out the nbd i.e. it does not exclude the possibility of an infinite no of terms of sequence lying outside the interval or nbd

Hence limit of a sequence is a limit of the sequence but a limit point of a sequence need not be the limit of the sequence. e.g.

$\{(-1)^n\}$  has limit points a cluster point  $1, -1$  but has no limit

Note # (1) If  $a_n = l$  for infinitely many values of  $n$ , then  $l$  is a limit point of  $\{a_n\}$

(2) If for an  $\epsilon > 0, (l - \epsilon, l + \epsilon)$  for finitely many values of  $n$ , then  $l$  can not be a cluster point of  $\{a_n\}$

(3) Limit point of a sequence need not be a sequence.

Def 2 A real no  $l$  is called a cluster point of a sequence  $\{a_n\}$  if given  $\epsilon > 0$  and a true integer  $m \exists$  a no  $k > m$  s.t.

$$|a_k - l| < \epsilon$$

Thus every nbd of  $l$  contains a term of the sequence. This is equivalent to saying that

Every nbd of  $l$  contains infinitely many terms of the sequence because if  $(l-\epsilon, l+\epsilon)$  contains only finite no of terms of  $\{a_n\}$  say  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$

Let  $\delta = \min\{|l-a_1|, |l-a_2|, \dots, |l-a_n|\}$  now  $(l-\delta, l+\delta)$  contains no term of the sequence which is a contradiction.

Clearly above two definitions are equivalent

Def 3 A real no  $l$  is called a cluster point of a sequence  $\{a_n\}$  if  $l$  is limit of some subsequence of  $\{a_n\}$ .

Note Cluster point is also called a subsequential limit

### Limit point of range set & cluster point

We note that limit point of the range set  $S = \{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots\}$  is automatically a cluster point of  $\{a_n\}$ . The two notions differ only in that for limit points the nbd is deleted whereas for cluster point it is not. The distinction is already introduced to cover the possibility that terms of a sequence may be repeated frequently and the range set may be finite and has no limit point whereas sequence has infinite terms and may have cluster point e.g. for sequence  $\{(-1)^n\}$  the range set  $\{-1, 1\}$  has no limit point but  $-1, 1$  are cluster point. Thus if a sequence

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has a limit point  $l$ , then  $l$  is a cluster point but the converse may not be usually true e.g.  $\{(-1)^n\}$  has  $+1, -1$  cluster points but has no limit point.

Example 1  $0$  is a limit point of the sequence

Sol  $\{\frac{1}{n}\}$  For  $\epsilon > 0$   $\exists m \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t. that  $\frac{1}{m} < \epsilon$   
 $\therefore$  for  $n \geq m$   $0 < \frac{1}{n} \leq \frac{1}{m} < \epsilon$

$\Rightarrow -\epsilon < 0 < \frac{1}{n} < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m$   
 $\Rightarrow \frac{1}{n} \in (-\epsilon, \epsilon) \quad \forall n \geq m$   
 $\Rightarrow$  Every nbd of  $0$  contains infinitely many terms of the sequence  $\{\frac{1}{n}\}$

Example 2 The sequence  $\{(-1)^n\}$  has two

limit points

Example 3 The sequence  $\{n\}$  has no cluster point

Theorem If  $l$  is a limit point of the range of a sequence  $\{a_n\}$ , then  $l$  is a limit point of the sequence  $\{a_n\}$

Proof Let  $S = \text{range of } \{a_n\} = \{a_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$

$\therefore l$  is a limit point of  $S$

$\therefore$  Every deleted nbd of  $S$  contains infinitely many elements of  $S$  which are terms of  $\{a_n\}$

$\Rightarrow$  Every nbd of  $S$  contains infinitely many terms of  $\{a_n\}$

$\Rightarrow l$  is a limit point of the sequence  $\{a_n\}$

Note Converse of the above theorem may not be true

Consider

Exo

$$a_n = 1 + (-1)^n = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{when } n \text{ is odd} \\ 2 & \text{when } n \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

0, 2 are the limit points of the sequence.

But the range  $= \{0, 2\}$  is a finite set and finite set has no limit point.

(2) If the terms of the sequence are distinct, then the limit points of the sequence are the limit points of the range set.

Theorem If a sequence converges to  $l$ , then  $l$  is the only limit point of the sequence.

Proof The sequence  $\{a_n\}$  converges to  $l$ .

$\Rightarrow$  Given  $\epsilon > 0$   $\exists$  the integer  $m$  such that

$$|a_n - l| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$\Rightarrow l - \epsilon < a_n < l + \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m$$

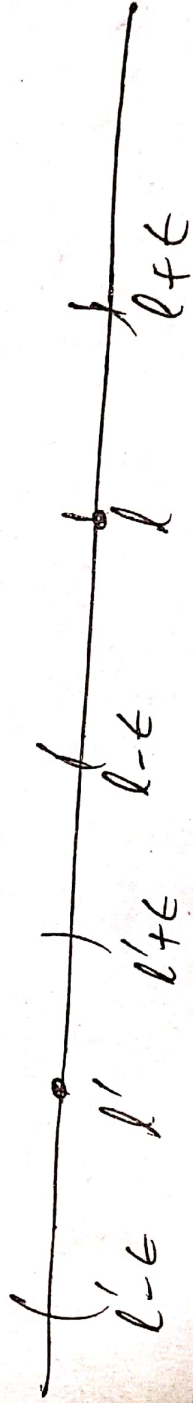
$$\Rightarrow a_n \in (l - \epsilon, l + \epsilon) \text{ for infinitely}$$

many values of  $n$ .

$\Rightarrow$  every nbhd of  $l$  contains infinitely many terms of the sequence  $\{a_n\}$ .

$\Rightarrow l$  is a limit point of the sequence  $\{a_n\}$ .

If possible let  $l'$  be another limit point of the sequence  $\{a_n\}$ .



but  $l' \neq l$

term that follows ...

$\epsilon = \frac{1}{3}(l - l')$  where  $l > l'$   
 Then  $(l' - \epsilon, l' + \epsilon) \cap (l - \epsilon, l + \epsilon) \neq \emptyset$   
 from  $\forall a_n \in (l - \epsilon, l + \epsilon) \quad \forall n \geq m$   
 $\therefore a_n \in (l' - \epsilon, l' + \epsilon)$  for almost all  
 values of  $n$

$\Rightarrow$  Infinitely many terms of  $\{a_n\}$  lie in  $(l' - \epsilon, l' + \epsilon)$   
 Hence  $l'$  is not a limit point of the sequence.  
 Hence  $l$  is only limit point of the sequence.

Theorem (Bolzano Weierstrass theorem.)

Every bounded sequence has at least one limit point.

Proof # Let  $\{a_n\}$  be a bounded sequence.  
 and  $S$  its range i.e.

$$S = \{a_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

$\therefore \{a_n\}$  is bounded.

$\therefore S$  is bounded.

Case I # Let  $S$  be a finite set

Let  $l$  be a real no. such that  $a_n = l$   
 for any infinite no. of values of  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

$\Rightarrow$  Given  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $a_n \in (l - \epsilon, l + \epsilon)$  for an  
 infinite no. of values of  $n$

$\Rightarrow$  Every nbhd of  $l$  contains infinitely many terms  
 of the sequence  $\{a_n\}$

$\Rightarrow l$  is a limit point of the sequence  $\{a_n\}$

### Case II

Let  $S$  be <sup>122</sup>an infinite set  
Since  $S$  is an infinite bounded set, by  
B.W theorem for sets  $S$  has at least one  
limit point say  $l$

Now  $l$  is a limit point of  $S$   
 $\Rightarrow$  Every nbd of  $l$  contains an infinite no  
of elements of  $S$

But each term of  $S$  is a term of  $\{a_n\}$   
 $\therefore$  Every nbd of  $l$  contains an infinite  
no of terms of the sequence  $\{a_n\}$

$\Rightarrow l$  is a limit point of the sequence  $\{a_n\}$

Corollary # If  $S$  is a closed and bounded

(i.e compact) set, then every sequence in  $S$   
has a limit point

Proof # A sequence  $\{a_n\}$  in  $S$  if  $a_n \in S \forall n$

Let  $\{a_n\}$  be a sequence in  $S$ , then  $a_n \in S \forall n$

Since  $S$  is bounded, the sequence  $\{a_n\}$  is  
bounded. and consequently it has a limit  
point say  $l$  by B.W theorem.

We show that  $l \in S$

Let  $l \in S^c$ , then  $S$  being closed,  $S$  is open

$\therefore S^c$  is nbd of  $l$

But  $S^c$  contains no term of  $\{a_n\}$ . This contradicts

the fact that  $l$  is a limit point of  $\{a_n\}$

$\therefore l \notin S^c$ . Hence  $l \in S$

may

contains

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Corollary 2 # of 173 If  $I$  is a closed interval, then any sequence in  $I$  has a limit point in  $I$ .

Proof #  $\because I$  is closed interval

$\because I$  is closed and bounded.

$\Rightarrow$  The result follows from Corollary 1.

Theorem # The set of limit points of a bounded sequence is bounded.

Proof Let  $\{a_n\}$  be a bounded sequence

$\Rightarrow \exists$  real no  $k \neq K$  ( $k \leq K$ )

Such that

$$k \leq a_n \leq K \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\therefore a_n \notin (-\infty, k) \text{ \& } a_n \notin (K, \infty)$$

For any  $n$

Let  $l$  be any real no

If  $l \notin (-\infty, k)$ , then  $(-\infty, k)$  contains no terms of the sequence &  $l$  is not limit point of  $\{a_n\}$

If  $l \in (K, \infty)$ , then  $(K, \infty)$  contains no term of sequence  $\{a_n\}$  and  $l$  is not limit point of  $\{a_n\}$

Thus no point outside  $[k, K]$  is a limit point of  $\{a_n\}$

$\Rightarrow$  The limit point of  $\{a_n\}$  lie in  $[k, K]$

$\Rightarrow$  The set of all the limit points of a bounded sequence is bounded.

Note The bounds of the set of limit points of a bounded sequence are same as the bounds of sequence.

$\therefore \min \{a_n\} \leq l \leq \max \{a_n\}$

(2) The set of <sup>174</sup> limit points of an unbounded sequence may or may not be bounded.  
 e.g.  $\{1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{4}, \dots\}$  is unbounded but the set of limit points  $\{0\}$  is bounded.  
 The sequence  $\{2, 1+\frac{1}{2}, 2+\frac{1}{2}, 2+\frac{1}{3}, \dots\}$  is unbounded and the set of limit points is  $\mathbb{N}$  which is unbounded.

Theorem Every bounded sequence has the greatest and the least limit points.

Proof Let  $\{a_n\}$  be a bounded sequence.

Then  ~~$\{a_n\}$~~  the set  $E$  of limit points is also bounded and  $E \neq \emptyset$  (B.W. Theorem).  
 By Completeness property,  $E$  has minimum and supremum.

Let  $\inf E = l$  &  $\sup E = u$

$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  let  $(u-\epsilon, u+\epsilon)$  be nbd of  $u$ .

$\sup E = u \Rightarrow \exists$  some  $x \in E$  s.t. that

$$u-\epsilon < x \leq u < u+\epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow x \in (u-\epsilon, u+\epsilon)$$

$\Rightarrow (u-\epsilon, u+\epsilon)$  is a nbd of  $x$

$\therefore x \in E$  is a limit point of  $\{a_n\}$

$\Rightarrow$  every nbd of  $u$  contains infinitely many terms of

$\{a_n\} \Rightarrow (u-\epsilon, u+\epsilon)$  contains infinite terms of  $\{a_n\}$

This is true for every  $\epsilon > 0$

$\Rightarrow u$  is a limit point of  $\{a_n\}$

$$\Rightarrow u \in E$$

Similarly  $l \in E$ .

Theorem # The set of limit points of a bounded sequence is compact set

Proof # Let  $E$  be the set of all limit points of a bounded sequence  $\{a_n\}$ .

Then  $E$  is closed and bounded. subset of  $\mathbb{R}$

$\Rightarrow E$  is compact

## The Generalised Limits (Upper and lower limits)

We have discussed limit of a cgt sequence and have also proved that bounded monotone sequence always converge. There are sequences which are bounded but not monotone. Such sequences can converge but can equally well diverge as  $\{(-1)^{n+1}\}$

From this example we note that a general bounded sequence can diverge by oscillating between various limits. This oscillation suggests trigonometric function.

The  $\limsup$  &  $\liminf$  are defined for arbitrary (not necessarily cgt) sequences

If  $\{a_n\}$  is bounded, then by B.W theorem  $\{a_n\}$  has a cgt subsequence. The no  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup a_n$  is the max value obtainable as the limit of cgt subsequence of  $\{a_n\}$  i.e minimum of all limit points/Cluster points of a sequence and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf a_n$  is the minimum value obtainable as the limit of a cgt subsequence of  $\{a_n\}$  i.e min of all

Limit points/cluster points 176

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup a_n$  &  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf a_n$  are also denoted by

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \text{ & } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$$

We discuss these limits under two categories  
(a) For bounded sequences (b) For unbounded sequences.

### Lim Sup & Lim Inf of Bounded Sequences

Let  $\{a_n\}$  be a bounded sequence and  $E$  be the set of all limit points of  $\{a_n\}$ . Then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup a_n = \sup E = \sup E$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf a_n = \inf E = \inf E$$

Thus

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup a_n = \mu$$

if for every  $\epsilon > 0$

$|a_n - \mu| < \epsilon$  for infinitely many values of  $n$  and  $\mu$  has no larger than this property.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf a_n = \nu$$

if for every  $\epsilon > 0$

$|a_n - \nu| < \epsilon$  for infinitely many values of  $n$  & no number less than  $\nu$  has this property.

is true for every  $\epsilon > 0$

$\mu$  is a limit point of  $\{a_n\}$

$\mu \in E$

$\nu \in E$ .

### Theorem #

Let  $\{a_n\}$  be a bounded sequence.  
Then

### Proof #

Let  $E$  be the set of subsequential limits of  $\{a_n\}$

By definition

$$\inf E \leq \sup E$$

$$\Rightarrow \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$$

Theorem # A real no  $u$  is the limit superior of a bounded sequence  $\{a_n\}$  iff

(a) For each  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $a_n > u - \epsilon$  for infinitely many values of  $n$ .

(b) For each  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $a_n < u + \epsilon$  for all except for finitely many values of  $n$ .

### Proof # Necessity

Let  $u$  be  $\limsup$  of  $\{a_n\}$  & let  $\epsilon > 0$  be given.

$\therefore u$  is a limit point / cluster point of  $a_n$ .

$\therefore a_n \in (u - \epsilon, u + \epsilon)$  for infinitely many values of  $n$ .

In particular  $a_n > u - \epsilon$  for infinitely many values of  $n$ .

Again since  $u$  is the greatest limit point,  $u + \epsilon$  is not a limit point and therefore

$a_n \not> u + \epsilon$  for only finitely many values of  $n$ .

(if for  $\delta n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $a_n \geq u + \epsilon$  for infinite values of  $n$ , then

$\{a_n\}$  will have limit point  $p \geq u + \epsilon$ )

$\therefore a_n < u + \epsilon$  for all except finite values of  $n$ .

Remarks #1 For a Cgt sequence all subsequences converge to same limit but a dgt bounded sequence has many Cgt subsequences.  $\limsup$  &  $\liminf$  give the behaviour of the set of limit points. This behaviour signifies how much the sequence  $\{a_n\}$  can rise or fall when  $n$  is very large enough. The set of limit points for a Cgt sequence is not empty & is also bounded and hence  $\text{lub}, \text{glb}$

(2) If  $\{a_n\}$  is unbounded,  $\limsup a_n = \infty$  and  $\liminf a_n = -\infty$

Example (i) For sequence  $\{(-1)^n\}$ , the only limit points are  $-1, 1$ . So  $E = \{-1, 1\}$

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = -1 \quad \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \sup E = 1$$

(ii) For sequence  $\{0\}$ , the only limit point is  $\{0\}$ . So  $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$

(iii) If  $a_n = k \quad \forall n$

$$\liminf a_n = \limsup a_n = k$$

(iv) If  $a_n = \begin{cases} 2 & \text{when } n \text{ is odd} \\ -2 & \text{when } n \text{ is even} \end{cases}$

Then 2 is limit point of  $\{a_n\}$  which is unbounded below.  $\liminf a_n = -\infty$

$$\limsup a_n = 2$$

(v) For sequence  $a_n = (-1)^n \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = -\infty \quad \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \infty$$

may  
form

that follows

Sufficiency

Let  $u$  Satisfies both conditions.

Given  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $u - \epsilon \leq a_n$  for infinitely many values of  $n$  and  $u + \epsilon > a_n$  for all except finitely many values of  $n$

$\Rightarrow u - \epsilon \leq a_n < u + \epsilon$  for infinitely many values

$\Rightarrow u$  is a limit point of  $\{a_n\}$  of  $n$

Now we show that no  $n$  greater than  $N$  can be limit point of  $\{a_n\}$ .

Let  $u'$  be any other ~~limit~~ point greater than  $u$ .

Let  $p, q$  be two numbers such that

$$u < p < u' < q$$

By 2nd condition, for each  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $a_n < u + \epsilon$  for all except for finite values of  $n$

Choosing  $p - u = \epsilon > 0$ , we have.

$a_n < p$  for all except finitely many values of  $n$

and therefore  $(p, q)$  is a nbd of  $u'$  containing an for finitely many values of  $n$ .  $\Rightarrow u'$  is not a limit point of  $\{a_n\}$  and  $u$  is the greatest limit of  $\{a_n\}$

Hence  $u$  is limit superior of  $\{a_n\}$

Theorem A real no  $l$  is the limit inferior of a bounded sequence  $\{a_n\}$  iff the following are

True

(i) for each  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $a_n \geq u - \epsilon$  for infinitely many values of  $n$

(ii) for each  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $a_n \geq u - \epsilon$  for all except finitely many values of  $n$

Proof

Necessity

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Let  $l$  be Limit inferior of  $\{a_n\}$  and  $\epsilon > 0$  be given

$\therefore l$  is Limit inferior of  $\{a_n\}$

$\therefore l - \epsilon < a_n < l + \epsilon$  for infinitely many  $n$

In particular

$a_n \geq l + \epsilon$  for infinitely many values of  $n$

Again since  $l$  is the least limit point,  $l - \epsilon$  is not a limit point and

$a_n \leq l - \epsilon$  for finitely many values of  $n$

because if  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $a_n \leq l - \epsilon$  for infinitely many values of  $n$ , then, then  $\{a_n\}$  will have a limit point  $p \leq l - \epsilon$

$\therefore a_n > l - \epsilon$  for all except finitely many values of  $n$

Sufficiency #

Let us assume that  $l$  satisfies both the conditions

Given  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $a_n < l + \epsilon$  for infinite values of  $n$  and

$a_n > l - \epsilon$  for all except finite values of  $n$

$\Rightarrow l - \epsilon < a_n < l + \epsilon$  for infinitely many values of  $n$

$\therefore l$  is a limit point of  $\{a_n\}$

We show that no number less than  $l$  can be a limit point of  $\{a_n\}$

Let  $l'$  be any number less than  $l$

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that follows

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Let  $p, q$  be two members such that

$$p < l' < q < l$$

By 2nd condition, for each  $\epsilon > 0$

$$a_n > l - \epsilon \quad \text{for all except for finite values of } n$$

$\Rightarrow$  For  $\epsilon = l - \delta > 0$ , we have,

$$a_n > l - \epsilon = l - (l - \delta) = \delta \quad \text{for all except finite values of } n$$

$\Rightarrow (p, \delta)$  is a nbd of  ~~$l$~~   $l'$  containing  $a_n$  for finitely many values of  $n$

$\Rightarrow l'$  is not a limit point of  $\{a_n\}$  so that  $l$  is the least limit point of  $\{a_n\}$  and hence.

$l$  is limit inferior of  $\{a_n\}$

Theorem # A sequence  $\{a_n\}$  converges to  $l$  iff

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf a_n = l$$

Proof # Let the sequence  $\{a_n\}$  converges to  $l$

Then given  $\epsilon > 0$   $\exists$  +ve integer  $m$  such that

$$|a_n - l| < \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m$$

$$\Rightarrow l - \epsilon < a_n < l + \epsilon \quad \forall n \geq m$$

Since the nbd  $(l - \epsilon, l + \epsilon)$  of  $l$  contains  $a_n$  for infinitely many values of  $n$  and since  $\epsilon$  is arbitrary, therefore every nbd of  $l$  contains infinitely many terms of the sequence  $\{a_n\}$

$\therefore l$  is a limit point of  $\{a_n\}$

We show that  $l$  is only limit point of  $\{a_n\}$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = l \quad \Rightarrow \{a_n\} \text{ has only one cluster point}$$

Let  $l'$  be any number less other than  $l$ . Two cases arise

$$(i) \quad l < l' \quad (ii) \quad l' < l$$

Suppose  $l < l'$ . Let  $p, r, s$  be three numbers such that  $p < l < r < l' < s$

$\therefore a_n \rightarrow l$   
 $\therefore$  Every nbd of  $l$  contains  $a_n$  for all except finitely many values of  $n$ . In particular (P.R) for all except finitely many values of  $n$  for almost

$\Rightarrow$  The nbd  $(s, l)$  of  $l'$  contains  $a_n$  for almost finite values of  $n$

$\Rightarrow l'$  can not be a limit point of  $\{a_n\}$

Similarly  $l' < l$ ,  $l'$  is not a limit point of  $\{a_n\}$

Thus  $l$  is only limit point of  $\{a_n\}$

Hence  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf a_n$

Converse Let  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf a_n$

Let  $\epsilon > 0$  be given.

$\therefore l = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup a_n$  for all except finite values of  $n$

$\therefore a_n < l + \epsilon$  for all  $n \geq m_1$

$\Rightarrow \exists$  a positive integer  $m_1$  s.t.  $a_n < l + \epsilon$

Again  $l = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf a_n$  for all except finitely many values of  $n$

$\therefore a_n > l - \epsilon$  for all  $n \geq m_2$

$\Rightarrow \exists$  a positive integer  $m_2$  such that  $a_n > l - \epsilon$

$\therefore a_n > l - \epsilon$  for all  $n \geq m_2$

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## Limit Superior and

## Limit Inferior (for bounded sequence)

Let  $\{a_n\}$  be bounded sequence and bounded above by  $K$ . Then for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  the

set  $S_n = \{a_n, a_{n+1}, \dots\}$  is bounded above by  $K$ . By L.U.B. axiom  $S_n$  has lub  $M_n$ .  
i.e.

$$M_n = \sup S_n = \sup \{a_n, a_{n+1}, a_{n+2}, \dots\}$$

clearly

$$M_n \geq M_{n+1} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

Thus the sequence  $\{M_n\}$  being decreasing sequence either converges or diverges to  $-\infty$ .

If  $\{M_n\}$  is convergent, then limit  $M_n$  is called limit superior of  $\{a_n\}$  i.e.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_n$$

if  $\{a_n\}$  not bounded above we can let  $M_{n+2} = \infty$

~~If  $\{M_n\}$  is divergent, then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup a_n = +\infty$~~

Let  $\{a_n\}$  be bounded below by  $L$ . Then each  $n$

$S_n = \{a_n, a_{n+1}, \dots\}$  is bounded below by  $L$  for each  $n$

$\Rightarrow S_n$  has g.l.b  $m_n$   
 clearly  $m_n \leq m_{n+1} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$   
 Thus sequence  $\{m_n\}$  being an increasing  
 sequence is either convergent or diverges to  $+\infty$   
 If  $\{m_n\}$  is cgt, then

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} m_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf S_n$   
 If  $\{a_n\}$  is not bounded below we define  $\inf_{n \geq 2} a_n = -\infty$   
Theorem # (a) If a sequence  $\{a_n\}$  is such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = -\infty$$

, then  $\{a_n\}$  diverges to  $-\infty$

(b) If a sequence  $\{a_n\}$  is such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = -\infty, \text{ then } \{a_n\}$$

diverges.

Proof # (a) Let  $M_n = \sup \{a_n, a_{n+1}, a_{n+2}, \dots\}$   
 and  $m_n = \inf \{a_n, a_{n+1}, a_{n+2}, \dots\}$

Then  $m_n \leq a_n \leq M_n \quad \forall n \rightarrow \infty$   
 Since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} m_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = -\infty$  &  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = -\infty$

from (1)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = -\infty$

The sequence diverges to  $-\infty$

(b)  $\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} m_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = -\infty = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$

$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = -\infty$

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  diverges to  $-\infty$

$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = l - \epsilon$

may that follows

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## Examples

Q.1 Give examples of sequences having

- (i) no cluster point (ii) one cluster point  
(iii) Two cluster points (iv) infinitely many cluster points.

Sol (i) sequence  $\{n\}$  has no cluster point

(ii) The sequence  $\{\frac{1}{n}\}$  has one cluster point

(iii) The sequence  $\{(-1)^n\}$  has two cluster points

namely  $-1, 1$

(iv) The sequence  $\{2, 1+\frac{1}{2}, 2+\frac{1}{2}, 1+\frac{1}{3}, 2+\frac{1}{3}, 3+\frac{1}{3}, 1+\frac{1}{4}, 2+\frac{1}{4}, 3+\frac{1}{4}, \dots\}$

has infinitely many cluster points. Every natural number has infinitely many cluster points. Every natural number is a cluster point

Q.2 Find cluster points of the sequences defined by  $n$ th term

(i)  $(-1)^n$  (ii)  $5$

(iii)  $\frac{(-1)^n}{n}$  (iv)  $(-1)^n (1+\frac{1}{n})$  (v)  $(1+\frac{1}{n})^{n+1}$

(vi)  $1+\frac{1}{1}, 1+\frac{1}{2}, 1+\frac{1}{3}, 1+\frac{1}{4}, \dots, 1+\frac{1}{n}, \dots$

Sol (i)  $a_n = (-1)^n = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{for } n \text{ odd} \\ 1 & \text{for } n \text{ even,} \end{cases}$

$\{a_n\}$  has two cluster points.

(ii)  $a_n = 5$  is constant sequence converging to 5

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  has only one cluster point

(iii)  $a_n = \frac{(-1)^n}{n} = \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{n} & \text{when } n \text{ is odd} \\ \frac{1}{n} & \text{when } n \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$

$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0 \Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  has only one cluster point

(iv) for any  $l \in \mathbb{R}$  <sup>183</sup>  $(l - \frac{1}{n}, l + \frac{1}{n})$  contains at most one term of the sequence  $\{n\}$   
 $\therefore l \in \mathbb{R}$  is not a limit point of  $\{n\}$   
 $\Rightarrow$  The sequence  $\{n\}$  has no limit point

(v)

$a_n = (-1)^n (1 + \frac{1}{n}) = \begin{cases} -(1 + \frac{1}{n}) & n \text{ odd} \\ (1 + \frac{1}{n}) & n \text{ even} \end{cases}$   
 $\Rightarrow$  Sequence  $\{a_n\}$  has two cluster points  $-1, 1$

(vi) Here

$a_n = (1 + \frac{1}{n})^{n+1}$   
 $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 + \frac{1}{n})^n (1 + \frac{1}{n}) = e \times 1 = e$   
 $\Rightarrow$  Sequence  $\{a_n\}$  converges to  $e$  and has one cluster point

(vii)

$$a_n = 1 + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{2n} + \dots + \frac{1}{n},$$

The sequence converges to  $e$

$\therefore$  The sequence has only one cluster point  
Q# Find the limit superior and limit inferior of each of the following sequences

(i)  $\{1, 3, 5, 1, 3, 5, 1, 3, 5, \dots\}$

(ii)  $\{1, 5, 17, 19, 1, 5, 17, 19, 1, 5, 17, 19, \dots\}$

(iii)  $\{a_n\}$  where  $a_n = \sin \frac{n\pi}{3}$

(iv)  $\{a_n\}$  where  $a_n = (-2)^n (1 + \frac{1}{n})$

(v)  $\{a_n\}$  where  $a_n = (-10)^n (1 + \frac{1}{n})^2$

(vi)  $\{a_n\}$  where  $a_n = (-1)^n (1 - \frac{1}{n})$

$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n =$

$\Rightarrow \{a_n\}$  converges to  $-\infty$

$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = l - \epsilon$

(vii)  $\{a_n\}$   $a_n = (1 + \frac{1}{n})^{n+1}$  1 4 7  
 $a_m = 1 + m - 1 = 3m - 2$

(viii)  $\{a_n\}$   $a_n = (-1)^n (2^n + 3^n)$

Sol (i)  $a_n = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 3m - 2 \\ 3 & \text{if } n = 3m - 1 \\ 5 & \text{if } n = 3m \end{cases} \quad m \in \mathbb{N}$

The set of cluster points of  $\{a_n\} = E = \{1, 3, 5\}$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \text{Max}\{1, 3, 5\} = 5$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \text{min}\{1, 3, 5\} = 1$

(ii) The set of cluster points  $= E = \{1, 5, 17, 19\}$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \text{Max } E = 19$   $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \text{Min } E = 1$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \text{Min } E = 1$  if  $n = 3m$

(iii)  $a_n = \sin \frac{n\pi}{3} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n = 3m \\ \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \text{if } n = 6m - 1 \\ -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & \text{if } n = 6m - 2 \end{cases}$  where  $m \in \mathbb{N}$

The set of cluster points of  $\{a_n\} = E = \{0, \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\}$

$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$   $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$

(iv) Here  $\{a_n\}$  converges to 0  $\Rightarrow E = \{0\}$

The set of cluster points  $= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n.$$

$$(V) \text{ where } a_n = (-1)^n \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^2 = \begin{cases} -\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^2 & n \text{ odd} \\ \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^2 & n \text{ even} \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^2 = \infty$$

$$E = \{-\infty, +\infty\}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \infty \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = -\infty$$

$$(VI) \quad a_n = (-1)^n \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right) = \begin{cases} 1 - \frac{1}{n} & n \text{ even} \\ -1 + \frac{1}{n} & n \text{ odd} \end{cases}$$

$$E = \{1, -1\}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = -1 \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 1$$

$$(VII) \quad a_n = \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)^n \left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = e \times 1 = e$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = e$$

$$(VIII) \quad a_n = (-1)^n (2^n + 3)^n = \begin{cases} -(2^n + 3)^n & n \text{ odd} \\ (2^n + 3)^n & n \text{ even} \end{cases}$$

$$E = \{-\infty, \infty\} \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \infty \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = -\infty$$

$$(VI) \quad \{a_n\} \text{ where } a_n = (-1)^n \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$$

$$\Rightarrow \{a_n\} \text{ diverges to } -\infty$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \neq l - \epsilon$$

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Theorem # For a sequence  $\{a_n\}$  prove that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \leq \overline{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n}$$

Proof # If  $\{a_n\}$  is unbounded, then

either  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \infty$  or  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = -\infty$

and hence there is nothing to prove.

Let  $a_n$  be a bounded sequence.

$$\text{Let } m_n = \text{glb} \{a_n, a_{n+1}, a_{n+2}, \dots\}$$

$$M_n = \text{lub} \{a_n, a_{n+1}, a_{n+2}, \dots\} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$\text{Then } m_n \leq M_n$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} m_n \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_n$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$$

Theorem # If  $\{a_n\}$  &  $\{b_n\}$  are two sequences

$\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then

such that  $a_n \leq b_n$   $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n \quad \text{(ii) } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n$$

$$\text{(i) } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n, a_{n+1}, a_{n+2}, \dots$$

$$\text{Proof # Let } M_n = \text{lub} \{a_n, a_{n+1}, \dots\}$$

$$M'_n = \text{lub} \{b_n, b_{n+1}, \dots\}$$

$$m_n = \text{glb} \{a_n, a_{n+1}, \dots\}$$

$$m'_n = \text{glb} \{b_n, b_{n+1}, \dots\}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \therefore a_n &\leq b_n \\ \therefore M_n &\leq M'_n \quad \& \quad m_n \leq m'_n \quad \forall n \\ \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_n &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M'_n \quad \& \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} m_n \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} m'_n \\ \Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n \quad \& \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n \end{aligned}$$

Theorem # 9 If  $\{a_n\}$  &  $\{b_n\}$  are bounded sequences, then show that

- (i)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n + b_n) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n$
  - (ii)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n + b_n) \geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n$
- Proof # Let  $M_n = \sup\{a_n, a_{n+1}, a_{n+2}, \dots\}$   
 $M'_n = \sup\{b_n, b_{n+1}, \dots\}$   
 $m_n = \inf\{a_n, a_{n+1}, \dots\}$   
 $m'_n = \inf\{b_n, b_{n+1}, \dots\}$

$\therefore \{a_n\}$  &  $\{b_n\}$  are bounded.

$\therefore \{a_n + b_n\}$  is bounded.  
 $\sup\{a_n + b_n, a_{n+1} + b_{n+1}, \dots\} \leq \sup\{a_n, a_{n+1}, \dots\} + \sup\{b_n, b_{n+1}, \dots\}$

$$= M_n + M'_n$$

$$\begin{aligned} \inf\{a_n + b_n, a_{n+1} + b_{n+1}, \dots\} &\geq \inf\{a_n, a_{n+1}, \dots\} + \inf\{b_n, b_{n+1}, \dots\} \\ \text{(i)} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n + b_n) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup\{a_n + b_n, a_{n+1} + b_{n+1}, \dots\} \\ &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (M_n + M'_n) \end{aligned}$$

$\{a_n\}$  diverges to  $-\infty$   $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = -\infty$

$$a_n > k - \epsilon$$

at some

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_n + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_n' \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n
 \end{aligned}$$

$$(ii) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n + b_n) \geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (m_n + m_n')$$

$$\geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} m_n + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} m_n'$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n$$

Note (1) By Combining the above two

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n + b_n) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n + b_n) \\
 &\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n
 \end{aligned}$$

(2) In certain cases strict inequalities may hold.  
e.g.

$$a_n = (-1)^n \quad \& \quad b_n = (-1)^{n+1}$$

$$\text{Then } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 1 \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = -1$$

$$\therefore a_n + b_n = 0 \quad \forall n$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n + b_n) = 0 < \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n$$

$$\& \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n + b_n) > \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n$$

Theorem # If  $\{a_n\}$  is a bounded sequence, then

$$(i) \quad \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} (-a_n) = - \underline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$$

$$(ii) \quad \underline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} (-a_n) = - \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$$

$$(iii) \quad \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\lambda a_n) = \lambda \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \quad \lambda > 0$$

$$(iv) \quad \underline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\lambda a_n) = \lambda \underline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \quad \lambda > 0$$

$$(v) \quad \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\lambda a_n) = \lambda \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \quad \lambda < 0$$

Proof #  $\therefore \{a_n\}$  is bounded.

$\therefore \{a_n\}$  &  $\{\lambda a_n\}$  are also bounded

$$(i) \quad \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} (-a_n) = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \{-a_n, -a_{n+1}, \dots\}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf \{a_n, a_{n+1}, \dots\}$$

$$= - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup \{-a_n, -a_{n+1}, \dots\}$$

$$(ii) \quad \underline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} (-a_n) = \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \{-a_n, -a_{n+1}, \dots\}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup \{a_n, a_{n+1}, \dots\}$$

$$= - \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \{a_n, a_{n+1}, \dots\}$$

$$= - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$$

$$(iii) \quad \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\lambda a_n) = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \{\lambda a_n, \lambda a_{n+1}, \dots\}$$

$$= \lambda \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \{a_n, a_{n+1}, \dots\}$$

$$= \lambda \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$$

Try others.

$$\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (a_n)$$

$$a_n \rightarrow -\infty$$

$$a_n \rightarrow l - \epsilon$$

that follows...

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Subsequential limit

A real no.  $l$  is called a subsequential limit of a sequence  $\{a_n\}$  if there is a subsequential limit  $\{a_{n_k}\}$  converging to  $\{a_n\}$ .

A subsequential limit a sequence  $\{a_n\}$  is also called a cluster point or limit point of the sequence.

Theorem # A real no.  $l$  is called a subsequential limit of the sequence  $\{a_n\}$  iff each neighborhood  $(l-\epsilon, l+\epsilon)$ ,  $\epsilon > 0$  of  $l$  contains infinitely many terms of  $\{a_n\}$  (ie iff  $l$  is a cluster point of  $a_n$ )

Proof # Let  $l$  be a subsequential limit of  $\{a_n\}$ . Then  $\exists$  a subsequence  $\{a_{n_k}\}$  of  $\{a_n\}$  converging to  $l$ .  
Given  $\epsilon > 0$   $\exists$  even integer  $k_0$  such that

$$|a_{n_k} - l| < \epsilon \quad \forall k \geq k_0$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{n_k} \in (l-\epsilon, l+\epsilon) \quad \forall k \geq k_0$$

$\Rightarrow$  Infinitely many terms of sequence  $\{a_{n_k}\}$  & hence of  $\{a_n\}$  lie in  $(l-\epsilon, l+\epsilon)$

Converse Let each nbd of  $(l-\epsilon, l+\epsilon)$  of  $l$  contains infinitely many terms of  $\{a_n\}$

Then  $a_n \in (l-\epsilon, l+\epsilon)$  for infinitely many values of  $n$

$$a_n \in (l-\epsilon, l+\epsilon) = I_n \quad " \quad "$$

Choose  $a_{n_1} \in (l-1, l+1)$ . Then  $\exists n_2 > n_1$  such that  $a_{n_2} \in (l-\frac{1}{2}, l+\frac{1}{2}) = I_2$

Continuing like this  $\exists$  a natural no  $n_{k_0}$  s.t. that  $n_{k_0} > \dots n_2 > n_1$  &  $a_{n_{k_0}} \in (l-\frac{1}{k_0}, l+\frac{1}{k_0}) = I_{k_0}$ .

Again continuing in this way get

a subsequence  $\{a_{n_k}\}$  of  $\{a_n\}$

Now for all  $n_k \geq n_{k_0}$ , we have  $n_k \geq n_{k_0}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{k} \leq \frac{1}{k_0} \quad \& \quad -\frac{1}{k} \geq -\frac{1}{k_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow l + \frac{1}{k} \leq l + \frac{1}{k_0} \quad \& \quad l - \frac{1}{k} \geq l - \frac{1}{k_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left( l - \frac{1}{k}, l + \frac{1}{k} \right) \subset \left( l - \frac{1}{k_0}, l + \frac{1}{k_0} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow I_k \subset I_{k_0} \quad \forall k \geq k_0 \quad \forall n_k \geq n_{k_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \forall n_k \geq n_{k_0}, a_{n_k} \in I_k \Rightarrow a_{n_k} \in I_{k_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{n_k} \in \left( l - \frac{1}{k_0}, l + \frac{1}{k_0} \right) \quad \forall n_k \geq n_{k_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow |a_{n_k} - l| < \frac{1}{k_0} = \epsilon \quad \forall n_k \geq n_{k_0}$$

$\Rightarrow \{a_{n_k}\}$  Converges to  $l$

$\Rightarrow l$  is a subsequential limit of the sequence.

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